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## RINGKJØBING LANDBOBANK AKTIESELSKAB AS ISSUER

AND

# BNP PARIBAS SECURITIES SERVICES, LUXEMBOURG BRANCH AS AGENT

## AMENDED AND RESTATED AGENCY AGREEMENT €2,000,000,000 EURO MEDIUM TERM NOTE PROGRAMME

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## THIS AGREEMENT is dated 28 June 2022

## **BETWEEN**:

#### (1) **RINGKJØBING LANDBOBANK AKTIESELSKAB** (the "Issuer"); and

(2) BNP PARIBAS SECURITIES SERVICES, LUXEMBOURG BRANCH a société en commandite par actions (S.C.A.) incorporated under the laws of France, registered with the Registre du Commerce et des Sociétés of Paris under number 552 108 011, whose registered office is at 3, Rue d'Antin – 75002 Paris, France and acting through its Luxembourg Branch whose offices are at 60, Avenue J.F. Kennedy, L-1855 Luxembourg and registered with the Luxembourg trade and companies register under number B. 86 862 (the "Agent", which expression shall include any successor agent appointed under Clause 21 (*Changes in Paying Agents*)).

#### WHEREAS:

- (A) The Issuer and the Agent entered into an Amended and Restated Agency Agreement dated 24 June 2020 (the "**Previous Agency Agreement**").
- (B) The parties to this Agreement have agreed to make certain modifications to the Previous Agency Agreement.
- (C) This Agreement amends and restates the Previous Agency Agreement. Any Notes (other than a Tranche of Notes intended to form a single series with another Tranche of Notes issued prior to the date of this Agreement) issued under the Programme on or after the date of this Agreement shall be issued pursuant to this Agreement. This does not affect any Notes issued under the Programme prior to the date of this Agreement.

## IT IS AGREED:

#### 1. **DEFINITIONS AND INTERPRETATION**

#### 1.1 **In this Agreement**:

"Calculation Agency Agreement" in relation to any Series of Notes means an agreement in or substantially in the form of Schedule 1.

"Calculation Agent" means, in relation to the Notes of any Series, the person appointed as calculation agent in relation to the Notes by the Issuer pursuant to the provisions of a Calculation Agency Agreement (or any other agreement) and shall include any successor calculation agent appointed in respect of the Notes.

"CGN" means a Temporary Global Note or a Permanent Global Note, in either case where the applicable Final Terms specify that the Notes are not in New Global Note form.

"CIBOR" means, in respect of any currency and any period specified hereon, the interest rate benchmark known as the Copenhagen interbank offered rate which is calculated and published by a designated distributor (currently Danish Financial Benchmark Facility ApS based on estimated interbank borrowing rates for Danish

kroner for a number of designated maturities which are provided by a panel of contributor banks).

"Clearstream, Luxembourg" means Clearstream Banking, S.A.

"**Commissionaire Account**" means an account with either Euroclear Bank SA/NV or Clearstream, Luxembourg, the terms of which include a third-party beneficiary clause ("*stipulation pour autrui*") with the Issuer as the third-party beneficiary;

"**Conditions**" means, in relation to the Notes of any Series, the terms and conditions endorsed on or incorporated by reference into the Note or Notes constituting the Series, the terms and conditions being in or substantially in the form set out in Schedule 2 or in such other form, having regard to the terms of the Notes of the relevant Series, as may be agreed between the Issuer, the Agent and the relevant Dealer as modified and supplemented by the applicable Final Terms.

"**Coupon**" means an interest coupon appertaining to a Definitive Note (other than a Zero Coupon Note), the coupon being:

- (a) if appertaining to a Fixed Rate Note, in the form or substantially in the form set out in Part 4 of Schedule 4 or in such other form, having regard to the terms of issue of the Notes of the relevant Series, as may be agreed between the Issuer, the Agent and the relevant Dealer; or
- (b) if appertaining to a Floating Rate Note in the form or substantially in the form set out in Part 4 of Schedule 4 or in such other form, having regard to the terms of issue of the Notes of the relevant Series, as may be agreed between the Issuer, the Agent and the relevant Dealer; or
- (c) if appertaining to a Definitive Note which is neither a Fixed Rate Note or a Floating Rate Note, in such form as may be agreed between the Issuer, the Agent and the relevant Dealer,

and includes, where applicable, the Talon(s) appertaining to the relevant Note and any replacements for Coupons and Talons issued pursuant to Condition 11.

"**Couponholders**" means the several persons who are for the time being holders of the Coupons and shall, unless the context otherwise requires, include the holders of Talons.

"**Definitive Note**" means a Note in definitive form issued or, as the case may require, to be issued by the Issuer in accordance with the provisions of the Programme Agreement or any other agreement between the Issuer and the relevant Dealer in exchange for all or part of a Global Note, the Definitive Note being in or substantially in the form set out in Part 3 of Schedule 4 with such modifications (if any) as may be agreed between the Issuer, the Agent and the relevant Dealer and having the Conditions endorsed on it or, if permitted by the relevant authority or authorities and agreed by the Issuer and the relevant Dealer, incorporated in it by reference and having the applicable Final Terms (or the relevant provisions of the applicable Final Terms) either incorporated in it or endorsed on it and (except in the case of a Zero Coupon Note) having Coupons and, where appropriate, Receipts and/or Talons attached to it on issue.

"**Distribution Compliance Period**" has the meaning given to that term in Regulation S under the Securities Act.

"EURIBOR" means, in respect of any currency and any period specified hereon, the interest rate benchmark known as the Euro-zone interbank offered rate which is calculated and published by a designated distributor (currently Thomson Reuters) in accordance with the requirements from time to time of the European Banking Federation based on estimated interbank borrowing rates for a number of designated currencies and maturities which are provided, in respect of each such currency, by a panel of contributor banks.

"Euroclear" means Euroclear Bank SA/NV.

"Eurosystem-eligible NGN" means an NGN which is intended to be held in a manner which would allow Eurosystem eligibility, as stated in the applicable Final Terms.

"**Fixed Rate Note**" means a Note on which interest is calculated at a fixed rate payable in arrear on one or more Interest Payment Dates in each year as may be agreed between the Issuer and the relevant Dealer, as indicated in the applicable Final Terms.

"Floating Rate Note" means a Note on which interest is calculated at a floating rate, payable in arrear on one or more Interest Payment Dates in each year as may be agreed between the Issuer and the relevant Dealer, as indicated in the applicable Final Terms.

"Global Note" means a Temporary Global Note and/or a Permanent Global Note, as the context may require.

"Interest Commencement Date" means, in the case of interest bearing Notes, the date specified in the applicable Final Terms from and including which the Notes bear interest, which may or may not be the Issue Date.

"International Operating Model" means the international operating model as communicated by the Agent to the Issuer.

"**Issue Date**" means, in respect of any Note, the date of issue and purchase of the Note under clause 2 of the Programme Agreement or any other agreement between the Issuer and the relevant Dealer being, in the case of any Definitive Note represented initially by a Global Note, the same date as the date of issue of the Global Note which initially represented the Note.

"Issue Price" means the price, generally expressed as a percentage of the nominal amount of the Notes, at which the Notes will be issued.

"LIBOR" means, in respect of any currency and any period specified hereon, the London interbank offered rate for that currency and period displayed as quoted on the appropriate page (being currently Reuters screen page LIBOR01 or LIBOR02) on the information service which publishes that rate.

"NGN" means a Temporary Global Note or a Permanent Global Note, in either case where the applicable Final Terms specify that the Notes are in New Global Note form.

"NIBOR" means, in respect of Norwegian Kroner and for any specified period, the interest rate benchmark known as the Norwegian interbank offered rate which is calculated and published by a designated distributor (currently Global Rate Set Systems) in accordance with the requirements from time to time of the Norwegian association for banks, insurance companies and financial institutions, Finance Norway – FNO based on estimated interbank borrowing rates for Norwegian Kroner for a number of designated maturities which are provided by a panel of contributor banks (details of historic NIBOR rates can be obtained from the designated distributor).

"Noteholders" means the several persons who are for the time being the bearers of Notes save that, in respect of the Notes of any Series, for so long as the Notes or any part of them are represented by a Global Note held on behalf of Euroclear and Clearstream, Luxembourg each person (other than Euroclear or Clearstream, Luxembourg) who is for the time being shown in the records of Euroclear or of Clearstream, Luxembourg as the holder of a particular nominal amount of the Notes of the Series (in which regard any certificate or other document issued by Euroclear or Clearstream, Luxembourg as to the nominal amount of the Notes standing to the account of any person shall be conclusive and binding for all purposes save in the case of manifest error) shall be deemed to be the holder of that nominal amount of Notes (and the bearer of the relevant Global Note shall be deemed not to be the holder) for all purposes other than with respect to the payment of principal or interest on the Notes, for which purpose the bearer of the relevant Global Note shall be treated by the Issuer and any Paving Agent as the holder of the Notes in accordance with and subject to the terms of the relevant Global Note and the expressions "Noteholder", "holder of Notes" and related expressions shall be construed accordingly.

"**outstanding**" means, in relation to the Notes of any Series, all the Notes issued other than:

- (a) those Notes which have been redeemed and cancelled pursuant to the Conditions;
- (b) those Notes in respect of which the date for redemption in accordance with the Conditions has occurred and the redemption moneys (including all interest (if any) accrued to the date for redemption and any interest (if any) payable under the Conditions after that date) have been duly paid to or to the order of the Agent in the manner provided in this Agreement (and where appropriate notice to that effect has been given to the Noteholders in accordance with the Conditions) and remain available for payment of the relevant Notes and/or Receipts and/or Coupons;
- (c) those Notes which have been purchased and cancelled in accordance with the Conditions;
- (d) those Notes in respect of which claims have become prescribed under the Conditions;
- (e) those mutilated or defaced Notes which have been surrendered and cancelled and in respect of which replacements have been issued under the Conditions;

- (f) (for the purpose only of ascertaining the nominal amount of the Notes outstanding and without prejudice to the status for any other purpose of the relevant Notes) those Notes which are alleged to have been lost, stolen or destroyed and in respect of which replacements have been issued under the Conditions; and
- (g) any Temporary Global Note to the extent that it has been exchanged for Definitive Notes or a Permanent Global Note and any Permanent Global Note to the extent that it has been exchanged for Definitive Notes in each case under its provisions,

provided that for the purpose of:

- (i) attending and voting at any meeting of the Noteholders of the Series; and
- determining how many and which Notes of the Series are for the time being outstanding for the purposes of Condition 15 and Clauses 2.2, 2.3, 2.4, 2.5, 3.1, 3.4 and 3.6 of Schedule 3,

those Notes (if any) which are for the time being held by or for the benefit of the Issuer or any Subsidiary of the Issuer shall (unless and until ceasing to be so held) be deemed not to remain outstanding.

"Paying Agent" means each of the Agent and any additional or successor agent appointed under Clause 21 (*Changes in Paying Agents*).

"**Permanent Global Note**" means a global note in the form or substantially in the form set out in Part 2 of Schedule 4 together with the copy of the applicable Final Terms attached to it with such modifications (if any) as may be agreed between the Issuer, the Agent and the relevant Dealer, comprising some or all of the Notes of the same Series issued by the Issuer under the Programme Agreement or any other agreement between the Issuer and the relevant Dealer.

"Principal Subsidiary" means at any time a Subsidiary of the Issuer:

whose gross revenues (consolidated in the case of a Subsidiary which itself has (a) Subsidiaries) or whose total assets (consolidated in the case of a Subsidiary which itself has Subsidiaries) represent in each case (or, in the case of a Subsidiary acquired after the end of the financial period to which the then latest audited consolidated accounts of the Issuer and its Subsidiaries relate, are equal to) not less than five per cent. of the consolidated gross revenues of the Issuer, or, as the case may be, consolidated total assets, of the Issuer and its Subsidiaries taken as a whole, all as calculated respectively by reference to the then latest audited accounts (consolidated or, as the case may be, unconsolidated) of such Subsidiary and the then latest audited consolidated accounts of the Issuer and its Subsidiaries, provided that in the case of a Subsidiary of the Issuer acquired after the end of the financial period to which the then latest audited consolidated accounts of the Issuer and its Subsidiaries relate, the reference to the then latest audited consolidated accounts of the Issuer and its Subsidiaries for the purposes of the calculation above shall, until consolidated accounts for the financial

period in which the acquisition is made have been prepared and audited as aforesaid, be deemed to be a reference to such first mentioned accounts as if such Subsidiary had been shown in such accounts by reference to its then latest relevant audited accounts, adjusted as deemed appropriate by the Issuer;

- (b) to which is transferred the whole or substantially the whole of the undertaking and assets of a Subsidiary of the Issuer which immediately prior to such transfer is a Principal Subsidiary, **provided that** the transferor Subsidiary shall upon such transfer forthwith cease to be a Principal Subsidiary and the transferee Subsidiary shall cease to be a Principal Subsidiary pursuant to this paragraph (b) on the date on which the consolidated accounts of the Issuer and its Subsidiaries for the financial period current at the date of such transfer have been prepared and audited as aforesaid but so that such transferor Subsidiary or such transferee Subsidiary may be a Principal Subsidiary on or at any time after the date on which such consolidated accounts have been prepared and audited as aforesaid by virtue of the provisions of paragraph (a) above or, prior to or after such date, by virtue of any other applicable provision of this definition; or
- (c) to which is transferred an undertaking or assets which, taken together with the undertaking or assets of the transferee Subsidiary, generated (or, in the case of the transferee Subsidiary being acquired after the end of the financial period to which the then latest audited consolidated accounts of the Issuer and its Subsidiaries relate, generate gross revenues equal to) not less than five per cent. of the consolidated gross revenues of the Issuer, or represent (or, in the case aforesaid, are equal to) not less than five per cent. of the consolidated total assets of the Issuer and its Subsidiaries taken as a whole, all as calculated as referred to in paragraph (a) above, **provided that** the transferor Subsidiary (if a Principal Subsidiary) shall upon such transfer forthwith cease to be a Principal Subsidiary unless immediately following such transfer its undertaking and assets generate (or, in the case aforesaid, generate gross revenues equal to) not less than five per cent. of the consolidated gross revenues of the Issuer, or its assets represent (or, in the case aforesaid, are equal to) not less than five per cent. of the consolidated total assets of the Issuer and its Subsidiaries taken as a whole, all as calculated as referred to in paragraph (a) above, and the transferee Subsidiary shall cease to be a Principal Subsidiary pursuant to this paragraph (c) on the date on which the consolidated accounts of the Issuer and its Subsidiaries for the financial period current at the date of such transfer have been prepared and audited but so that such transferor Subsidiary or such transferee Subsidiary may be a Principal Subsidiary on or at any time after the date on which such consolidated accounts have been prepared and audited as aforesaid by virtue of the provisions of paragraph (a) above or, prior to or after such date, by virtue of any other applicable provision of this definition.

For the purposes of this definition:

 (i) if there shall not at any time be any relevant audited consolidated accounts of the Issuer and its Subsidiaries, references thereto herein shall be deemed to be references to a consolidation (which need not be audited) by the Issuer of the relevant audited accounts of the Issuer and its Subsidiaries;

- (ii) if, in the case of a Subsidiary which itself has Subsidiaries, no consolidated accounts are prepared and audited, its consolidated gross revenues and consolidated total assets shall be determined on the basis of *pro forma* consolidated accounts (which need not be audited) of the relevant Subsidiary and its Subsidiaries prepared for this purpose by the Issuer;
- (iii) if (i) any Subsidiary shall not in respect of any relevant financial period for whatever reason produce audited accounts or (ii) any Subsidiary shall not have produced at the relevant time for the calculations required pursuant to this definition audited accounts for the same period as the period to which the latest audited consolidated accounts of the Issuer and its Subsidiaries relate, then there shall be substituted for the purposes of this definition the management accounts of such Subsidiary for such period;
- (iv) where any Subsidiary is not wholly owned by the Issuer there shall be excluded from all calculations all amounts attributable to minority interests;
- (v) in calculating any amount all amounts owing by or to the Issuer and any Subsidiary to or by the Issuer and any Subsidiary shall be excluded; and
- (vi) in the event that accounts of any companies being compared are prepared on the basis of different generally accepted accounting principles, there shall be made such adjustments to any relevant financial items as are necessary to achieve a true and fair comparison of such financial items.

A report by two Directors of the Issuer that in their opinion a Subsidiary of the Issuer is or is not or was or was not at any particular time or throughout any specified period a Principal Subsidiary of the Issuer shall (in the absence of manifest error) be conclusive and binding on all parties.

"**Programme Agreement**" means the programme agreement dated 29 June 2021 between the Issuer and the Dealers named in it.

"**Receipt**" means a receipt attached on issue to a Definitive Note redeemable in instalments for the payment of an instalment of principal, the receipt being in or substantially in the form set out in Part 5 of Schedule 5 or in such other form as may be agreed between the Issuer, the Agent and the relevant Dealer and includes any replacements for Receipts issued pursuant to Condition 12.

"Receiptholders" means the persons who are for the time being holders of the Receipts.

"Reference Banks" means, in the case of a determination of LIBOR, the principal London office of four major banks in the London inter-bank market, in the case of CIBOR, the principal Copenhagen office of four major banks in the Copenhagen interbank market, in the case of a determination of EURIBOR, the principal Euro-zone office of four major banks in the Euro-zone inter-bank market in the case of a determination of NIBOR, the principal Oslo office of four major banks in the Norwegian inter-bank market and, in the case of STIBOR, the principal Stockholm office of four major banks in the Stockholm inter-bank market, in each case selected by the Issuer or Independent Adviser (as defined in Clause 8.2(d)) or as specified in the applicable Final Terms.

"Series" means a Tranche of Notes together with any further Tranche or Tranches of Notes which are (a) expressed to be consolidated and form a single series and (b) identical in all respects (including as to listing) except for their respective Issue Dates, Interest Commencement Dates and/or Issue Prices and the expressions "Notes of the relevant Series" and "holders of Notes of the relevant Series" and related expressions shall be construed accordingly.

"**Specified Time**" means 11.00 a.m. (London time, in the case of a determination of LIBOR, Copenhagen time, in the case of a determination of CIBOR, Brussels time, in the case of a determination of EURIBOR, Oslo time, in the case of a determination of NIBOR, or Stockholm time, in the case of a determination of STIBOR).

"STIBOR" means, in respect of Swedish Kronor and for any specified period, the interest rate benchmark known as the Stockholm interbank offered rate which is calculated and published by a designated distributor (currently Swedish Financial Benchmark Facility) based on estimated interbank borrowing rates for Swedish Kronor for a number of designated maturities which are provided by a panel of contributor banks (details of historic STIBOR rates can be obtained from the designated distributor).

"**Subsidiary**" has the meaning given to that term in Section 5(3) of the Consolidated Act No. 1952 of 11 October 2021 on public and private limited liability companies of the Kingdom of Denmark, as amended from time to time.

"**Talon**" means a talon attached on issue to a Definitive Note (other than a Zero Coupon Note) which is exchangeable in accordance with its provisions for further Coupons appertaining to the Note, the talon being in or substantially in the form set out in Part 6 of Schedule 4 or in such other form as may be agreed between the Issuer, the Agent and the relevant Dealer and includes any replacements for Talons issued pursuant to Condition 11.

"**Temporary Global Note**" means a global note in the form or substantially in the form set out in Part 1 of Schedule 4 together with the copy of the applicable Final Terms attached to it with such modifications (if any) as may be agreed between the Issuer, the Agent and the relevant Dealer, comprising some or all of the Notes of the same Series issued by the Issuer under the Programme Agreement or any other agreement between the Issuer and the relevant Dealer.

"Tranche" means Notes which are identical in all respects (including as to listing).

"Zero Coupon Note" means a Note on which no interest is payable.

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- (a) In this Agreement, unless the contrary intention appears, a reference to:
  - (i) an "**amendment**" includes a supplement, restatement or novation and "**amended**" is to be construed accordingly;

- (ii) a "**person**" includes any individual, company, unincorporated association, government, state agency, international organisation or other entity;
- (iii) the "records" of Euroclear and Clearstream, Luxembourg shall be to the records that each of Euroclear and Clearstream, Luxembourg holds for its customers which reflect the amount of such customer's interest in the Notes;
- (iv) a provision of a law is a reference to that provision as extended, amended or re-enacted;
- (v) a clause or Schedule is a reference to a clause of, or a schedule to, this Agreement;
- (vi) a person includes its successors and assigns;
- (vii) a document is a reference to that document as amended from time to time; and
- (viii) a time of day is a reference to London time.
- (b) The headings in this Agreement do not affect its interpretation.
- (c) Terms and expressions defined in the Programme Agreement or the Notes or used in the applicable Final Terms shall have the same meanings in this Agreement, except where the context otherwise requires or unless otherwise stated.
- (d) All references in this Agreement to costs or charges or expenses shall include any value added tax or similar tax charged or chargeable in respect thereof.
- (e) All references in this Agreement to Notes shall, unless the context otherwise requires, include any Global Note representing the Notes.
- (f) All references in this Agreement to principal and/or interest or both in respect of the Notes or to any moneys payable by the Issuer under this Agreement shall be construed in accordance with Condition 6.
- (g) All references in this Agreement to the "**relevant currency**" shall be construed as references to the currency in which payments in respect of the relevant Notes and/or Coupons are to be made.
- (h) All references in this Agreement to Euroclear and/or Clearstream, Luxembourg shall, whenever the context so permits, be deemed to include a reference to any additional or alternative clearing system approved by the Issuer and the Agent or as otherwise specified in the applicable Final Terms.
- (i) All references in this Agreement to a Directive include any relevant implementing measure of each Member State of the European Economic Area and the United Kingdom which has implemented such Directive.

- 1.3 For the purposes of this Agreement, the Notes of each Series shall form a separate series of Notes and the provisions of this Agreement shall apply *mutatis mutandis* separately and independently to the Notes of each Series and in this Agreement the expressions "Notes", "Noteholders", "Receipts", "Receiptholders", "Coupons", "Couponholders", "Talons" and related expressions shall be construed accordingly.
- 1.4 As used herein, in relation to any Notes which are to have a "listing" or be "listed" (i) on the London Stock Exchange, "listing" and "listed" shall be construed to mean that such Notes have been admitted to the Official List and admitted to trading on the London Stock Exchange's regulated market and (ii) on any other Stock Exchange within the European Economic Area or the United Kingdom, "listing" and "listed" shall be construed to mean that Notes have been admitted to trading on a market within that jurisdiction which is a regulated market for the purposes of the Markets in Financial Instruments Directive (Directive 2014/65/EU).
- 1.5 In the case of Notes to be cleared through VP Securities A/S ("VP Notes" and "VP", respectively), such Notes will be in an uncertificated and dematerialised book entry form and will not be evidenced by any physical note or document of title. Ownership of VP Notes will only be recorded and transfers effected only through the book entry system and register maintained by the VP (in the case of VP Notes), as described in the section entitled "*Form of Notes*" in the Prospectus. The parties agree that this Agreement shall not apply to the VP Notes, except that, to the extent applicable, the Agent shall comply with paragraphs (j) and (k) of Clause 2.1 (*Changes in Paying Agents*) with respect to VP Notes.
- 1.6 The Previous Agency Agreement shall be amended and restated on the terms of this Agreement. Any Notes (other than a Tranche of Notes intended to form a single series with another Tranche of Notes issued prior to the date of this Agreement) issued under the Programme on or after the date of this Agreement shall be issued pursuant to this Agreement. This does not affect any Notes issued under the Programme prior to the date of this Agreement.

# 2. **APPOINTMENT OF AGENTS**

- 2.1 The Agent is appointed, and the Agent agrees to act, as agent of the Issuer, upon the terms and subject to the conditions set out below, for the following purposes:
  - (a) completing, authenticating and delivering Temporary Global Notes and Permanent Global Notes and (if required) authenticating and delivering Definitive Notes;
  - (b) giving effectuation instructions in respect of each Global Note which is a Eurosystem-eligible NGN;
  - (c) exchanging Temporary Global Notes for Permanent Global Notes or Definitive Notes, as the case may be, in accordance with the terms of Temporary Global Notes and, in respect of any such exchange, (i) making all notations on Global Notes which are CGNs as required by their terms and (ii) instructing Euroclear and Clearstream, Luxembourg to make appropriate entries in their records in respect of all Global Notes which are NGNs;

- (d) exchanging Permanent Global Notes for Definitive Notes in accordance with the terms of Permanent Global Notes and, in respect of any such exchange, (i) making all notations on Permanent Global Notes which are CGNs required by their terms and (ii) instructing Euroclear and Clearstream, Luxembourg to make appropriate entries in their records in respect of all Permanent Global Notes which are NGNs;
- (e) paying sums due on Global Notes, Definitive Notes, Receipts and Coupons and instructing Euroclear and Clearstream, Luxembourg to make appropriate entries in their records in respect of all Global Notes which are NGNs;
- (f) exchanging Talons for Coupons in accordance with the Conditions;
- (g) determining the end of the Distribution Compliance Period applicable to each Tranche in accordance with Clause 5 (*Determination of End of Distribution Compliance Period*);
- (h) unless otherwise specified in the applicable Final Terms, determining the interest and/or other amounts payable in respect of the Notes in accordance with the Conditions;
- (i) arranging on behalf of and at the expense of the Issuer for notices to be communicated to the Noteholders in accordance with the Conditions;
- (j) ensuring that, as directed by the Issuer, all necessary action is taken to comply with any reporting requirements of any competent authority in respect of any relevant currency as may be in force from time to time with respect to the Notes to be issued under the Programme;
- (k) subject to the Procedures Memorandum, submitting to the relevant authority or authorities such number of copies of each Final Terms which relates to Notes which are to be listed as the relevant authority or authorities may require;
- (1) acting as Calculation Agent in respect of Notes where named as such in the applicable Final Terms; and
- (m) performing all other obligations and duties imposed upon it by the Conditions, this Agreement and the Procedures Memorandum.
- 2.2 Each Paying Agent is appointed, and each Paying Agent agrees to act, as paying agent of the Issuer, upon the terms and subject to the conditions set out below, for the purposes of paying sums due on any Notes, Receipts and Coupons and performing all other obligations and duties imposed upon it by the Conditions and this Agreement.
- 2.3 In relation to each issue of Eurosystem-eligible NGNs, the Issuer hereby authorises and instructs the Agent to elect Euroclear and/or Clearstream, Luxembourg as common safekeeper. From time to time, the Issuer and the Agent may agree to vary this election. The Issuer acknowledges that any such election is subject to the right of Euroclear and Clearstream, Luxembourg to jointly determine that the other shall act as common safekeeper in relation to any such issue and agrees that no liability shall attach to the Agent in respect of any such election made by it.

- 2.4 The obligations of the Paying Agents under this Agreement are several and not joint.
- 2.5 A Paying Agent may delegate any of its roles, duties or obligations created under this Agreement to a third party if, in its reasonable opinion, it deems such delegation appropriate provided that in the absence of any contractual right of action between the Issuer and the person to whom such delegation is made, in respect of such role, duty or obligation delegated, the Paying Agent shall be liable for any acts performed or omissions made by such person to the same extent as it would have been liable under this Agreement had it performed such acts or made such omissions itself.
- 2.6 In the event that Definitive Notes are issued and the Agent informs the Issuer that it is unable to perform its obligations under this Agreement, the Issuer shall forthwith appoint an additional agent in accordance with Clause 21 (*Changes in Paying Agents*) which is able to perform such obligations.

## 3. **ISSUE OF GLOBAL NOTES**

- 3.1 Subject to Clause 3.5, following receipt of a faxed copy of the applicable Final Terms signed by the Issuer, the Issuer authorises the Agent and the Agent agrees, to take the steps required of the Agent in the Procedures Memorandum.
- 3.2 For the purpose of Clause 3.1, (and subject to Clause 3.4) the Agent will on behalf of the Issuer if specified in the applicable Final Terms that a Temporary Global Note will initially represent the Tranche of Notes:
  - (a) prepare a Temporary Global Note by attaching a copy of the applicable Final Terms to a copy of the signed master Temporary Global Note;
  - (b) authenticate the Temporary Global Note;
  - (c) deliver the Temporary Global Note to the specified common depositary (if the Temporary Global Note is a CGN) or specified common safekeeper (if the Temporary Global Note is an NGN) for Euroclear and Clearstream, Luxembourg and, in the case of a Temporary Global Note which is a Eurosystem-eligible NGN, to instruct the common safekeeper to effectuate the same;
  - (d) ensure that the Notes of each Tranche are assigned, as applicable, security numbers (including, but not limited to, common codes and ISINs) which are different from the security numbers assigned to Notes of any other Tranche of the same Series until at least expiry of the Distribution Compliance Period in respect of the Tranche; and
  - (e) if the Temporary Global Note is a NGN, instruct Euroclear and Clearstream, Luxembourg to make the appropriate entries in their records to reflect the initial outstanding aggregate principal amount of the relevant Tranche of Notes;

- 3.3 For the purpose of Clause 3.1, (and subject to Clause 3.4) the Agent will on behalf of the Issuer if specified in the applicable Final Terms that a Permanent Global Note will represent the Notes on issue:
  - (a) in the case of the first Tranche of any Series of Notes, prepare a Permanent Global Note by attaching a copy of the applicable Final Terms to a copy of the master Permanent Global Note;
  - (b) in the case of the first Tranche of any Series of Notes, authenticate the Permanent Global Note;
  - (c) in the case of the first Tranche of any Series of Notes, deliver the Permanent Global Note to the specified common depositary (if the Permanent Global Note is a CGN) or specified common safekeeper (if the Permanent Global Note is a NGN) for Euroclear and/or Clearstream, Luxembourg and, in the case of a Permanent Global Note which is a Eurosystem-eligible NGN, to instruct the common safekeeper to effectuate the same;
  - (d) if the Permanent Global Note is a NGN, instruct Euroclear and Clearstream, Luxembourg to make the appropriate entries in their records to reflect the initial outstanding aggregate principal amount of the relevant Tranche of Notes;
  - (e) in the case of a subsequent Tranche of any Series of Notes deliver the applicable Final Terms to the specified common depositary or common safekeeper, as the case may be, for attachment to the Permanent Global Note and, in the case where the Permanent Global Note is a CGN, make all appropriate entries on the relevant Schedule to the Permanent Global Note to reflect the increase in its nominal amount or, in the case where the Permanent Global Note is a NGN, instruct Euroclear and Clearstream, Luxembourg to make the appropriate entries in their records to reflect the increased outstanding aggregate principal amount of the relevant Series; and
  - (f) ensure that the Notes of each Tranche are assigned, as applicable, security numbers (including, but not limited to, common codes and ISINs) which are different from the security numbers assigned to the Notes of any other Tranche of the same Series until at least the expiry of the Distribution Compliance Period in respect of the Tranche.
- 3.4 In the case of a Tranche of Notes which is syndicated among two or more Dealers, at or about the time on the Issue Date specified in the Relevant Agreement deliver the Temporary Global Note and Permanent Global Note in the case of settlement under the ICSD DVP Syndicated New Issues Process to the specified common depositary or Common Safekeeper (as applicable) to instruct the relevant ICSD to (i) credit the Notes free of payment to the Commissionaire Account of the Mandated Dealer or such other Dealer as the Issuer may direct to settle the Notes ("Settlement Bank") and (ii) to

release the Notes only following payment of the net subscription monies into the Commissionaire Account, on a delivery against payment basis.

- 3.5 The Agent shall only be required to perform its obligations under this Clause 3 (*Issue of Global Notes*) if it holds:
  - (a) a master Temporary Global Note duly executed by a person or persons duly authorised to execute the same on behalf of the Issuer, which may be used by the Agent for the purpose of preparing Temporary Global Notes in accordance with Clause 3.2;
  - (b) a master Permanent Global Note duly executed by a person or persons duly authorised to execute the same on behalf of the Issuer, which may be used by the Agent for the purpose of preparing Permanent Global Notes in accordance with Clause 3.3 and Clause 4 (*Exchange of Global Notes*); and
  - (c) signed copies of the applicable Final Terms.
- 3.6 The Issuer undertakes to ensure that the Agent receives copies of each document specified in Clause 3.5 in a timely manner.
- 3.7 Where the Agent delivers any authenticated Global Note to a common safekeeper for effectuation using electronic means, it is authorised and instructed to destroy the Global Note retained by it following its receipt of confirmation from the common safekeeper that the relevant Global Note has been effectuated.

## 4. **EXCHANGE OF GLOBAL NOTES**

- 4.1 The Agent shall determine the Exchange Date for each Temporary Global Note in accordance with its terms. Immediately after determining any Exchange Date, the Agent shall notify its determination to the Issuer, the other Paying Agents, the relevant Dealer, Euroclear and Clearstream, Luxembourg.
- 4.2 Where a Temporary Global Note is to be exchanged for a Permanent Global Note, the Agent is authorised by the Issuer and instructed:
  - (a) in the case of the first Tranche of any Series of Notes, to prepare and complete a Permanent Global Note in accordance with the terms of the Temporary Global Note applicable to the Tranche by attaching a copy of the applicable Final Terms to a copy of the master Permanent Global Note;
  - (b) in the case of the first Tranche of any Series of Notes, to authenticate the Permanent Global Note;
  - (c) in the case of the first Tranche of any Series of Notes if the Permanent Global Note is a CGN, to deliver the Permanent Global Note to the common depositary which is holding the Temporary Global Note representing the Tranche for the time being on behalf of Euroclear and/or Clearstream, Luxembourg to hold on behalf of the Issuer pending its exchange for the Temporary Global Note;
  - (d) in the case of the first Tranche of any Series of Notes if the Permanent Global Note is a NGN, to deliver the Permanent Global Note to the common safekeeper

which is holding the Temporary Global Note representing the Tranche for the time being on behalf of Euroclear and/or Clearstream, Luxembourg to effectuate (in the case of a Permanent Global Note which is a Eurosystem-eligible NGN) and to hold on behalf of the Issuer pending its exchange for the Temporary Global Note;

- (e) in the case of a subsequent Tranche of any Series of Notes if the Permanent Global Note is a CGN, to attach a copy of the applicable Final Terms to the Permanent Global Note applicable to the relevant Series and to enter details of any exchange in whole or part; and
- (f) in the case of a subsequent Tranche of any Series of Notes if the Permanent Global Note is a NGN, to deliver the applicable Final Terms to the specified common safekeeper for attachment to the Permanent Global Note applicable to the relevant Series.
- 4.3 Where a Global Note is to be exchanged for Definitive Notes in accordance with its terms, the Agent is authorised by the Issuer and instructed:
  - (a) to authenticate the Definitive Notes in accordance with the provisions of this Agreement; and
  - (b) to deliver the Definitive Notes to or to the order of Euroclear and/or Clearstream, Luxembourg.
- 4.4 Upon any exchange of all or a part of an interest in a Temporary Global Note for an interest in a Permanent Global Note or upon any exchange of all or a part of an interest in a Global Note for Definitive Notes, the Agent shall (i) procure that the relevant Global Note shall, if it is a CGN, be endorsed by or on behalf of the Agent to reflect the reduction of its nominal amount by the aggregate nominal amount so exchanged and, where applicable, the Permanent Global Note shall be endorsed by or on behalf of the Agent to reflect the increase in its nominal amount as a result of any exchange for an interest in the Temporary Global Note or (ii) in the case of any Global Note which is a NGN, instruct Euroclear and Clearstream, Luxembourg to make appropriate entries in their records to reflect such exchange. Until exchanged in full, the holder of an interest in any Global Note shall in all respects be entitled to the same benefits under this Agreement as the holder of Definitive Notes, Receipts and Coupons authenticated and delivered under this Agreement, subject as set out in the Conditions. The Agent is authorised on behalf of the Issuer and instructed (a) in the case of any Global Note which is a CGN, to endorse or to arrange for the endorsement of the relevant Global Note to reflect the reduction in the nominal amount represented by it by the amount so exchanged and, if appropriate, to endorse the Permanent Global Note to reflect any increase in the nominal amount represented by it and, in either case, to sign in the relevant space on the relevant Global Note recording the exchange and reduction or increase, (b) in the case of any Global Note which is a NGN, to instruct Euroclear and Clearstream, Luxembourg to make appropriate entries in their records to reflect such exchange and (c) in the case of a total exchange, to cancel or arrange for the cancellation of the relevant Global Note.

- 4.5 The Agent shall notify the Issuer immediately after it receives a request for the issue of Definitive Notes in accordance with the provisions of a Global Note and the aggregate nominal amount of the Global Note to be exchanged.
- 4.6 The Issuer undertakes to deliver to the Agent sufficient numbers of executed Definitive Notes with, if applicable, Receipts, Coupons and Talons attached, to enable the Agent to comply with its obligations under this Agreement.

# 5. DETERMINATION OF END OF DISTRIBUTION COMPLIANCE PERIOD

- 5.1 In the case of a Tranche in respect of which there is only one Dealer, the Agent will determine the end of the Distribution Compliance Period in respect of the Tranche as being the fortieth day following the date determined and certified by the relevant Dealer to the Agent as being the date on which distribution of the Notes of that Tranche was completed.
- 5.2 In the case of a Tranche in respect of which there is more than one Dealer but which is not issued on a syndicated basis, the Agent will determine the end of the Distribution Compliance Period in respect of the Tranche as being the fortieth day following the last of the dates determined and certified by all the relevant Dealers to the Agent as being the respective dates on which distribution of the Notes of that Tranche purchased by each Dealer was completed.
- 5.3 In the case of a Tranche issued on a syndicated basis, the Agent will determine the end of the Distribution Compliance Period in respect of the Tranche as being the fortieth day following the date determined and certified by the Lead Manager to the Agent as being the date on which distribution of the Notes of that Tranche was completed.
- 5.4 Immediately after it determines the end of the Distribution Compliance Period in respect of any Tranche, the Agent shall notify the determination to Euroclear and Clearstream, Luxembourg.

# 6. **TERMS OF ISSUE**

- 6.1 The Agent shall cause all Notes delivered to and held by it under this Agreement to be maintained in safe custody and shall ensure that Notes are issued only in accordance with the provisions of this Agreement, the Conditions and, where applicable, the relevant Global Notes.
- 6.2 Subject to the procedures set out in the Procedures Memorandum, for the purposes of Clause 3 (*Issue of Global Notes*), the Agent is entitled to treat a telephone or facsimile communication from a person purporting to be (and whom the Agent believes in good faith to be) the authorised representative of the Issuer named in the list referred to in, or notified pursuant to, Clause 19.7, or any other list duly provided for the purpose by the Issuer to the Agent, as sufficient instructions and authority of the Issuer for the Agent to act in accordance with Clause 3 (*Issue of Global Notes*).
- 6.3 In the event that a person who has signed a master Global Note held by the Agent on behalf of the Issuer ceases to be authorised as described in Clause 19.7, the Agent shall (unless the Issuer gives notice to the Agent that Notes signed by that person do not constitute valid and binding obligations of the Issuer or otherwise until replacements

have been provided to the Agent) continue to have authority to issue Notes signed by that person, and the Issuer warrants to the Agent that those Notes shall be valid and binding obligations of the Issuer. Promptly upon any person ceasing to be authorised, the Issuer shall provide the Agent with replacement master Global Notes and the Agent shall, upon receipt of such replacements, cancel and destroy the master Global Notes held by it which are signed by that person and shall provide the Issuer with a certificate of destruction, specifying the master Global Notes so cancelled and destroyed.

- 6.4 If the Agent pays an amount (the "Advance") to the Issuer on the basis that a payment (the "Payment") has been or will be received from a Dealer and if the Payment is not received by the Agent on the date the Agent pays the Issuer, the Issuer shall repay to the Agent the Advance and shall pay interest on the Advance (or the unreimbursed portion thereof) from (and including) the date the Advance is made to (but excluding) the earlier of repayment of the Advance or receipt by the Agent of the Payment at a rate quoted at that time by the Agent as its cost of funding the Advance provided that evidence of the basis of such rate is given to the Issuer. For the avoidance of doubt, the Agent shall not be obliged to pay any amount to the Issuer if it has not received satisfactory confirmation that it is to receive the amount from a Dealer.
- 6.5 Except in the case of issues where the Agent does not act as receiving bank for the Issuer in respect of the purchase price of the Notes being issued, if on the Issue Date a Dealer does not pay the full purchase price due from it in respect of any Note (the "Defaulted Note") and, as a result, the Defaulted Note remains in the Agent's distribution account with Euroclear and/or Clearstream, Luxembourg after the Issue Date, the Agent will continue to hold the Defaulted Note to the order of the Issuer. The Agent shall notify the Issuer immediately of the failure of the Dealer to pay the full purchase price due from it in respect of any Defaulted Note and, subsequently, shall (a) notify the Issuer immediately on receipt from the Dealer of the full purchase price in respect of any Defaulted Note and (b) pay to the Issuer the amount so received.

# 7. **PAYMENTS**

- 7.1 In relation to any payment in euro, pounds sterling or U.S. dollars, the Issuer will, before 10.00 a.m. (local time in the relevant financial centre of the country of the currency of payment or, in the case of a payment in euro, Luxembourg time) but by no later than 10.00 a.m. (Luxembourg time), on each date on which any payment in respect of any Note becomes due under the Conditions, transfer to an account specified by the Agent an amount in the relevant currency sufficient for the purposes of the payment in funds settled through such payment system as the Agent and the Issuer may agree.
- 7.2 In relation to any payment in a currency other than euro, pounds sterling or U.S. dollars, the Issuer will, before 10.00 a.m. (local time in the relevant financial centre of the country of the currency of payment) but by no later than 10.00 a.m. (Luxembourg time), on the Business Day prior to each date on which any payment in respect of any Note becomes due under the Conditions, transfer to an account specified by the Agent an amount in the relevant currency sufficient for the purposes of the payment in funds settled through such payment system as the Agent and the Issuer may agree. For the purposes of this Clause 7.2, "Business Day" means a day on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets settle payments and are open for general business in the relevant financial centre of the country of the currency of payment.

- 7.3 Any funds paid by or by arrangement with the Issuer to the Agent under Clause 7.1 shall be in immediately available, freely transferable and cleared funds, and held in the relevant account referred to in Clause 7.1 for payment to the Noteholders, Receiptholders or Couponholders, as the case may be, until any Notes or matured Receipts and Coupons become void under Condition 9. In that event the Agent shall repay to the Issuer sums equivalent to the amounts which would otherwise have been repayable on the relevant Notes, Receipts or Coupons.
- 7.4 The Issuer will ensure that no later than 10.00 a.m. (Luxembourg time) on the second Business Day (as defined below) immediately preceding the date on which any payment is to be made to the Agent under Clause 7.1, the Agent shall receive a payment confirmation by authenticated SWIFT from the paying bank of the Issuer. For the purposes of this Clause 7.4, "Business Day" means a day on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets settle payments and are open for general business in the Kingdom of Denmark and Luxembourg.
- 7.5 The Agent shall notify each of the other Paying Agents immediately:
  - (a) if it has not by the relevant date set out in Clause 7.1 received unconditionally the full amount in the Specified Currency required for the payment;
  - (b) if it receives unconditionally the full amount of any sum payable in respect of the Notes, Receipts or Coupons after that date; and
  - (c) if it has not received the payment confirmation by the relevant date in accordance with Clause 7.4, unless the Agent is satisfied that it will receive the full amount required for the payment referred to in Clause 7.1.

The Agent shall, at the expense and request of the Issuer, immediately on receiving any amount as described in paragraph (b) of Clause 7.5, cause notice of that receipt to be published under Condition 14.

- 7.6 The Agent shall ensure that payments of both principal and interest in respect of a Temporary Global Note will only be made if certification of non-U.S. beneficial ownership as required by U.S. Treasury regulations has been received from Euroclear and/or Clearstream, Luxembourg in accordance with the terms of the Temporary Global Note.
- 7.7 Unless it has received notice under paragraph (a) of Clause 7.5, each Paying Agent shall pay or cause to be paid all amounts due in respect of the Notes on behalf of the Issuer in the manner provided in the Conditions. If any payment provided for in Clause 7.1 is made late but otherwise in accordance with the provisions of this Agreement, the relevant Paying Agent shall nevertheless make payments in respect of the Notes as stated above following receipt by it of such payment.
- 7.8 If for any reason the Agent considers in its sole discretion that the amounts to be received by it under Clause 7.1 will be, or the amounts actually received by it are, insufficient to satisfy all claims in respect of all payments then falling due in respect of the Notes, no Paying Agent shall be obliged to pay any such claims until the Agent has received the full amount of all such payments.

- 7.9 Without prejudice to Clauses 7.7 and 7.8, if the Agent pays any amounts to the holders of Notes, Receipts or Coupons or to any other Paying Agent at a time when it has not received payment in full in respect of the relevant Notes in accordance with Clause 7.1 (the excess of the amounts so paid over the amounts so received being the "Shortfall"), the Issuer will, in addition to paying amounts due under Clause 7.1, pay to the Agent on demand interest (at a rate which represents the Agent's cost of funding the Shortfall) on the Shortfall (or the unreimbursed portion thereof) until the receipt in full by the Agent of the Shortfall. For the avoidance of doubt, should the Issuer pay amounts in EUR to the Agent prior to the date the amounts are due, the Agent may request from the Issuer payment of interest rates on such amounts, from the date on which they are paid to the date on which they are due, at a percentage rate equal to the cost to the Agent of funding the amounts received in accordance with the applicable standard market interest rate.
- 7.10 The Agent shall on demand promptly reimburse each other Paying Agent for payments in respect of Notes properly made by each Paying Agent in accordance with this Agreement and the Conditions unless the Agent has notified the relevant Paying Agent, prior to its opening of business on the due date of a payment in respect of the Notes, that the Agent does not expect to receive sufficient funds to make payment of all amounts falling due in respect of the Notes.
- 7.11 Whilst any Notes are represented by Global Notes, all payments due in respect of the Notes shall be made to, or to the order of, the holder of the Global Notes, subject to and in accordance with the provisions of the Global Notes. On the occasion of each payment, (i) in the case of a CGN, the Paying Agent to which such Global Note was presented for the purpose of making the payment shall cause the appropriate Schedule to the relevant Global Note to be annotated so as to evidence the amounts and dates of the payments of principal and/or interest as applicable or (ii) in the case of any Global Note which is a NGN, the Agent shall instruct Euroclear and Clearstream, Luxembourg to make appropriate entries in their records to reflect such payment.
- 7.12 If the amount of principal and/or interest then due for payment is not paid in full (otherwise than by reason of a deduction required by law to be made or a certification required by the terms of a Note not being received), (i) the Paying Agent to which a Note, Receipt or Coupon (as the case may be) is presented for the purpose of making the payment shall, unless the Note is a NGN, make a record of the shortfall on the relevant Note, Receipts or Coupon and the record shall, in the absence of manifest error, be *prima facie* evidence that the payment in question has not to that extent been made or (ii) in the case of any Global Note which is a NGN, the Agent shall instruct Euroclear and Clearstream, Luxembourg to make appropriate entries in their records to reflect such shortfall in payment.

# 8. DETERMINATIONS AND NOTIFICATIONS IN RESPECT OF NOTES AND INTEREST DETERMINATION

- 8.1 Determinations and notifications
  - (a) The Agent shall be treated as having agreed to act as Calculation Agent in respect of a Series if it shall have received the form of Final Terms naming it as Calculation Agent and shall not have notified the Issuer that it does not wish to

be so appointed within one Business Day (as defined in Clause 7.4) of such receipt.

- (b) The Agent shall, unless otherwise specified in the applicable Final Terms, make all the determinations and calculations which it is required to make under the Conditions, all subject to and in accordance with the Conditions.
- (c) The Agent shall not be responsible to the Issuer or to any third party as a result of the Agent having acted on any quotation given by any Reference Bank which subsequently may be found to be incorrect.
- (d) The Agent shall promptly notify (and confirm in writing to) the Issuer, the other Paying Agents and (in respect of a Series of Notes listed on a Stock Exchange) the relevant Stock Exchange by no later than the first day of each Interest Period of each Rate of Interest, Interest Amount and Interest Payment Date and all other amounts, rates and dates which it is obliged to determine or calculate under the Conditions as soon as practicable after their determination and of any subsequent amendments to them under the Conditions.
- (e) The Agent shall use its best endeavours to cause each Rate of Interest, Interest Amount and Interest Payment Date and all other amounts, rates and dates which it is obliged to determine or calculate under the Conditions to be published as required in accordance with the Conditions as soon as possible after their determination or calculation.
- (f) If the Agent does not at any time for any reason determine and/or calculate and/or publish the Rate of Interest, Interest Amount and/or Interest Payment Date in respect of any Interest Period or any other amount, rate or date as provided in this Clause, it shall immediately notify the Issuer and the other Paying Agents of that fact.
- (g) Determinations with regard to Notes required to be made by a Calculation Agent shall be made in the manner so specified. Unless otherwise agreed between the Issuer and the relevant Dealer or the Lead Manager, as the case may be, or unless the Agent is the Calculation Agent (in which case the provisions of this Agreement shall apply), those determinations shall be made on the basis of a Calculation Agency Agreement substantially in the form of Schedule 1. Notes of any Series may specify additional duties and obligations of any Paying Agent, the performance of which will be agreed between the Issuer and the relevant Paying Agent prior to the relevant Issue Date.

# 8.2 Interest determination

- (a) Where Screen Rate Determination is specified in the applicable Final Terms as the manner in which the Rate of Interest is to be determined, the Rate of Interest for each Interest Period will, subject as provided below, be either:
  - (i) the offered quotation; or
  - (ii) the arithmetic mean (rounded if necessary to the fifth decimal place, with 0.000005 being rounded upwards) of the offered quotations,

(expressed as a percentage rate per annum), for the Reference Rate which appears or appear, as the case may be, on the Relevant Screen Page as at the Specified Time on the Interest Determination Date in question plus or minus (as indicated in the applicable Final Terms) the Margin (if any), all as determined by the Agent. If five or more offered quotations are available on the Relevant Screen Page, the highest (or, if there is more than one highest quotation, one only of those quotations) and the lowest (or, if there is more than one lowest quotation, one only of those quotations) shall be disregarded by the Agent for the purpose of determining the arithmetic mean (rounded as provided above) of the offered quotations.

- (b) If the Relevant Screen Page is not available or if, in the case of paragraph (a)(i) of Clause 8.2, no offered quotation appears or, in the case of paragraph (a)(ii) of Clause 8.2, fewer than three offered quotations appear, in each case as at the Specified Time, the Issuer will use its best endeavours to appoint an Independent Adviser who shall request each of the Reference Banks to provide it with its offered quotation (expressed as a percentage rate per annum) for the Reference Rate at approximately the Specified Time on the Interest Determination Date in question. If two or more of the Reference Banks provide the appointed Independent Adviser with offered quotations, the Rate of Interest for the Interest Period shall be the arithmetic mean (rounded if necessary to the fifth decimal place with 0.000005 being rounded upwards) of the offered quotations plus or minus (as appropriate) the Margin (if any), all as determined by the appointed Independent Adviser.
- (c) If on any Interest Determination Date one only or none of the Reference Banks provides the appointed Independent Adviser with an offered quotation as provided in the preceding paragraph, the Rate of Interest for the relevant Interest Period shall be the rate per annum which the appointed Independent Adviser determines as being the arithmetic mean (rounded if necessary to the fifth decimal place, with 0.000005 being rounded upwards) of the rates, as communicated to (and at the request of) the appointed Independent Adviser by the Reference Banks or any two or more of them, at which such banks were offered, at approximately the Specified Time on the relevant Interest Determination Date, deposits in the Specified Currency for a period equal to that which would have been used for the Reference Rate by leading banks in the London inter-bank market (if the Reference Rate is LIBOR) or the Euro-zone inter-bank market (if the Reference Rate is EURIBOR) or the Copenhagen interbank market (if the Reference Rate is CIBOR) or the Norwegian inter-bank market (if the Reference Rate is NIBOR) or the Stockholm inter-bank market (if the Reference Rate is STIBOR) plus or minus (as appropriate) the Margin (if any) or, if fewer than two of the Reference Banks provide the appointed Independent Adviser with offered rates, the offered rate for deposits in the Specified Currency for a period equal to that which would have been used for the Reference Rate, or the arithmetic mean (rounded as provided above) of the offered rates for deposits in the Specified Currency for a period equal to that which would have been used for the Reference Rate, at which, at approximately the Specified Time on the relevant Interest Determination Date, any one or more banks (which bank or banks is or are in the opinion of the Issuer suitable for the purpose) informs the appointed Independent Adviser it is quoting to leading

banks in the London inter-bank market (if the Reference Rate is LIBOR) or the Euro-zone inter-bank market (if the Reference Rate is EURIBOR) or the Copenhagen inter-bank market (if the Reference Rate is CIBOR) or the Norwegian inter-bank market (if the Reference Rate is NIBOR) or the Stockholm inter-bank market (if the Reference Rate is STIBOR) plus or minus (as appropriate) the Margin (if any), **provided that**, if the Rate of Interest cannot be determined in accordance with the foregoing provisions of this paragraph, the Rate of Interest shall be determined as at the last preceding Interest Determination Date (though substituting, where a different Margin is to be applied to the relevant Interest Period from that which applied to the last preceding Interest Period, the Margin relating to the relevant Interest Period in place of the Margin relating to that last preceding Interest Period).

(d) In the event that the Reference Rate has ceased to be calculated or administered as a result of a benchmark ceasing to exist, the Issuer will appoint an Independent Adviser to determine an alternative benchmark. For the purposes of this clause, "Independent Adviser" means an independent financial institution of international repute or other independent financial adviser experienced in the international capital markets, in each case appointed by the Issuer, at the Issuer's expense.

# 9. NOTICE OF ANY WITHHOLDING OR DEDUCTION

- 9.1 If the Issuer is, in respect of any payment, compelled to withhold or deduct any amount for or on account of taxes, duties, assessments or governmental charges as specifically contemplated under the Conditions, it shall give notice of that fact to the Agent as soon as it becomes aware of the requirement to make the withholding or deduction and shall give to the Agent such information as it shall require to enable it to comply with the requirement.
- 9.2 If any Paying Agent is, in respect of any payment of principal or interest in respect of the Notes, compelled to withhold or deduct any amount for or on account of any taxes, duties, assessments or governmental charges as specifically contemplated under the Conditions, other than arising under Clause 9.1 or by virtue of the relevant holder failing to satisfy any certification or other requirement in respect of its Notes, it shall give notice of that fact to the Issuer and the Agent as soon as it becomes aware of the compulsion to withhold or deduct.

# 10. DUTIES OF THE PAYING AGENTS IN CONNECTION WITH EARLY REDEMPTION

- 10.1 If the Issuer decides to redeem any Notes for the time being outstanding before their Maturity Date in accordance with the Conditions, the Issuer shall give notice of the decision to the Agent stating the date on which the Notes are to be redeemed and the nominal amount of Notes to be redeemed not less than 15 days before the date on which the Issuer will give notice to the Noteholders in accordance with the Conditions of the redemption in order to enable the Agent to carry out its duties in this Agreement and in the Conditions.
- 10.2 If some only of the Notes are to be redeemed, the Agent shall, in the case of Definitive Notes, make the required drawing in accordance with the Conditions but shall give the

Issuer reasonable notice of the time and place proposed for the drawing and the Issuer shall be entitled to send representatives to attend the drawing and shall, in the case of Notes in global form, co-ordinate the selection of Notes to be redeemed with Euroclear and Clearstream, Luxembourg, all in accordance with the Conditions.

10.3 The Agent shall publish the notice required in connection with any redemption and shall, if applicable, at the same time also publish a separate list of the serial numbers of any Notes in definitive form previously drawn and not presented for redemption. The redemption notice shall specify the date fixed for redemption, the redemption amount, the manner in which redemption will be effected and, in the case of a partial redemption of Definitive Notes, the serial numbers of the Notes to be redeemed. The notice will be published in accordance with the Conditions. The Agent will also notify the other Paying Agents of any date fixed for redemption of any Notes.

# 11. **RECEIPT AND PUBLICATION OF NOTICES**

- 11.1 Immediately after it receives a demand or notice from any Noteholder in accordance with the Conditions, the Agent shall forward a copy to the Issuer.
- 11.2 On behalf of and at the request and expense of the Issuer, the Agent shall cause to be published all notices required to be given by the Issuer to the Noteholders in accordance with the Conditions.

## 12. CANCELLATION OF NOTES, RECEIPTS, COUPONS AND TALONS

- 12.1 All Notes which are redeemed, all Global Notes which are exchanged in full, all Receipts or Coupons which are paid and all Talons which are exchanged shall be cancelled by the Paying Agent by which they are redeemed, exchanged or paid. In addition, the Issuer shall immediately notify the Agent in writing of all Notes which are purchased on behalf of the Issuer or any of its Subsidiaries (if any) and all such Notes surrendered to a Paying Agent for cancellation, together (in the case of Definitive Notes) with all unmatured Receipts or Coupons or Talons (if any) attached to them or surrendered with them, shall be cancelled by the Paying Agent to which they are surrendered. Each of the Paying Agents shall give to the Agent details of all payments made by it and shall deliver all cancelled Notes, Receipts, Coupons and Talons to the Agent or as the Agent may specify.
- 12.2 The Agent shall, at the request of the Issuer, deliver to the Issuer as soon as reasonably practicable and in any event within three months after the date of each repayment, payment, cancellation or replacement, as the case may be, a certificate stating:
  - (a) the aggregate nominal amount of Notes which have been redeemed and the aggregate amount paid in respect of them;
  - (b) the number of Notes cancelled together (in the case of Notes in definitive form) with details of all unmatured Receipts, Coupons or Talons attached to them or delivered with them;
  - (c) the aggregate amount paid in respect of interest on the Notes;
  - (d) the total number by maturity date of Receipts, Coupons and Talons cancelled; and

- (e) (in the case of Definitive Notes) the serial numbers of the Notes.
- 12.3 Following disposal authorisation from Clearstream and Euroclear in the case of Global Notes, the Agent shall destroy all cancelled Notes, Receipts, Coupons and Talons and immediately following their destruction, upon the Issuer's request, send to the Issuer a certificate stating the serial numbers of the Notes (in the case of Notes in definitive form) and the number by maturity date of Receipts, Coupons and Talons destroyed.
- 12.4 Without prejudice to the obligations of the Agent under Clause 12.2, the Agent shall keep a full and complete record of all Notes, Receipts, Coupons and Talons (other than serial numbers of Coupons) and of their redemption, purchase on behalf of the Issuer or any of its Subsidiaries and cancellation, payment or replacement (as the case may be) and of all replacement Notes, Receipts, Coupons or Talons issued in substitution for mutilated, defaced, destroyed, lost or stolen Notes, Receipts, Coupons or Talons. The Agent shall in respect of the Coupons of each maturity retain (in the case of Coupons other than Talons) until the expiry of ten years from the Relevant Date in respect of such Coupons and (in the case of Talons) indefinitely either all paid or exchanged Coupons of that maturity or a list of the serial numbers of Coupons of that maturity still remaining unpaid or unexchanged. The Agent shall at all reasonable times make the record available to the Issuer and any persons authorised by it for inspection and for the taking of copies of it or extracts from it.
- 12.5 The Agent is authorised by the Issuer and instructed to (a) in the case of any Global Note which is a CGN, to endorse or to arrange for the endorsement of the relevant Global Note to reflect the reduction in the nominal amount represented by it by the amount so redeemed or purchased and cancelled and (b) in the case of any Global Note which is a NGN, to instruct Euroclear and Clearstream, Luxembourg to make appropriate entries in their records to reflect such redemption or purchase and cancellation, as the case may be; provided, that, in the case of a purchase or cancellation, the Issuer has notified the Agent of the same in accordance with Clause 12.1.

# 13. ISSUE OF REPLACEMENT NOTES, RECEIPTS, COUPONS AND TALONS

- 13.1 The Issuer will cause a sufficient quantity of additional forms of Notes, Receipts, Coupons and Talons to be available, upon request, to the Agent at its specified office for the purpose of issuing replacement Notes, Receipts, Coupons and Talons as provided below.
- 13.2 The Agent will, subject to and in accordance with the Conditions and this clause, cause to be delivered any replacement Notes, Receipts, Coupons and Talons which the Issuer may determine to issue in place of Notes, Receipts, Coupons and Talons which have been lost, stolen, mutilated, defaced or destroyed.
- 13.3 In the case of a mutilated or defaced Note, the Agent shall ensure that (unless otherwise covered by such indemnity as the Issuer may reasonably require) any replacement Note will only have attached to it Receipts, Coupons and Talons corresponding to those (if any) attached to the mutilated or defaced Note which is presented for replacement.
- 13.4 The Agent shall obtain verification in the case of an allegedly lost, stolen or destroyed Note, Receipt, Coupon or Talon in respect of which the serial number is known, that the Note, Receipt, Coupon or Talon has not previously been redeemed, paid or

exchanged, as the case may be. The Agent shall not issue any replacement Note, Receipt, Coupon or Talon unless and until the claimant shall have:

- (a) paid the costs and expenses incurred in connection with the issue;
- (b) provided it with such evidence and indemnity as the Issuer may reasonably require; and
- (c) in the case of any mutilated or defaced Note, Receipt, Coupon or Talon, surrendered it to the Agent.
- 13.5 The Agent shall cancel any mutilated or defaced Notes, Receipts, Coupons and Talons in respect of which replacement Notes, Receipts, Coupons and Talons have been issued under this clause and shall furnish the Issuer with a certificate stating the serial numbers of the Notes, Receipts, Coupons and Talons cancelled and, unless otherwise instructed by the Issuer in writing, shall destroy the cancelled Notes, Receipts, Coupons and Talons and give to the Issuer a destruction certificate containing the information specified in Clause 12.3.
- 13.6 The Agent shall, on issuing any replacement Note, Receipts, Coupon or Talon, immediately inform the Issuer and the other Paying Agents of the serial number of the replacement Note, Receipts, Coupon or Talon issued and (if known) of the serial number of the Note, Receipts, Coupon or Talon in place of which the replacement Note, Receipts, Coupon or Talon has been issued. Whenever replacement Receipts, Coupons or Talons are issued, the Agent shall also notify the other Paying Agents of the maturity dates of the lost, stolen, mutilated, defaced or destroyed Receipts, Coupons or Talons and of the replacement Receipts, Coupons or Talons issued.
- 13.7 The Agent shall keep a full and complete record of all replacement Notes, Coupons and Talons issued and shall make the record available at all reasonable times to the Issuer and any persons authorised by it for inspection and for the taking of copies of it or extracts from it.
- 13.8 Whenever any Note, Receipts, Coupon or Talon for which a replacement Note, Receipts, Coupon or Talon has been issued and in respect of which the serial number is known is presented to a Paying Agent for payment, the relevant Paying Agent shall immediately send notice of that fact to the Issuer and the other Paying Agents.
- 13.9 The Paying Agents shall issue further Coupon sheets against surrender of Talons. A Talon so surrendered shall be cancelled by the relevant Paying Agent who (except where the Paying Agent is the Agent) shall inform the Agent of its serial number. Further Coupon sheets issued on surrender of Talons shall carry the same serial number as the surrendered Talon.

## 14. COPIES OF DOCUMENTS AVAILABLE FOR INSPECTION

Each Paying Agent shall hold available for inspection at its specified office during normal business hours copies of all documents required to be so available by the Conditions of any Notes or the rules of any relevant Stock Exchange (or any other relevant authority). For these purposes, the Issuer shall provide the Paying Agents with sufficient copies of each of the relevant documents.

# 15. **MEETINGS OF NOTEHOLDERS**

- 15.1 The provisions of Schedule 3 shall apply to meetings of the Noteholders and shall have effect in the same manner as if set out in this Agreement.
- 15.2 Without prejudice to Clause 15.1, each of the Paying Agents on the request of any holder of Notes shall issue voting certificates and block voting instructions in accordance with Schedule 3 and shall immediately give notice to the Issuer in writing of any revocation or amendment of a block voting instruction. Each of the Paying Agents will keep a full and complete record of all voting certificates and block voting instructions issued by it and will, not less than 24 hours before the time appointed for holding a meeting or adjourned meeting, deposit at such place as the Agent shall approve, full particulars of all voting certificates and block voting instructions issued by it in respect of the meeting or adjourned meeting.

## 16. **COMMISSIONS AND EXPENSES**

The Issuer agrees to pay to each of the Paying Agents directly such fees and commissions as the Issuer and the Paying Agents shall separately agree in respect of the services of the Paying Agents under this Agreement together with any out of pocket expenses (including but not limited to legal, printing, postage, fax, cable and advertising expenses) incurred by the Paying Agents in connection with their services together with any applicable value added tax and stamp, issue, documentary or other taxes and duties.

## 17. **INDEMNITY**

- 17.1 The Issuer shall indemnify each of the Paying Agents against any losses, liabilities, costs, claims, actions, demands or expenses (together, "Losses") (including, but not limited to, all reasonable costs, legal fees, charges and expenses (together, "Expenses") paid or incurred in disputing or defending any Losses) which it may incur or which may be made against it as a result of or in connection with its appointment or the exercise of its powers and duties under this Agreement except for any Losses or Expenses resulting from its own default, negligence or bad faith or that of its officers, directors or employees or the material breach by it of the terms of this Agreement. Notwithstanding anything else in this Agreement, neither the Agent nor any of its directors, officers, employees or agents shall be liable to the Issuer or any other person for any indirect or consequential loss (being loss of profit, revenue, anticipated savings, contract, opportunity, goodwill or reputation) of whatever nature arising from any representation, any breach of implied term or any duty at common law or under any statute or express term of this Agreement, and whether such liability is asserted on the basis of contract, tort (including negligence) or otherwise and whether or not reasonably foreseeable or actually contemplated by the parties.
- 17.2 The indemnity set out above shall survive any termination of this Agreement.

## 18. **RESPONSIBILITY OF THE PAYING AGENTS**

18.1 No Paying Agent shall be responsible to anyone with respect to the validity of this Agreement or the Notes, Receipts or Coupons or for any act or omission by it in connection with this Agreement or any Note, Receipt or Coupon except for its own negligence, default or bad faith, including that of its officers and employees.

- 18.2 No Paying Agent shall have any duty or responsibility in the case of any default by the Issuer in the performance of its obligations under the Conditions or, in the case of receipt of a written demand from a Noteholder or Couponholder, with respect to such default, provided however that immediately on receiving any notice given by a Noteholder in accordance with Condition 10, the Agent notifies the Issuer of the fact and furnishes it with a copy of the notice.
- 18.3 Whenever in the performance of its duties under this Agreement a Paying Agent shall deem it desirable that any matter be established by the Issuer prior to taking or suffering any action under this Agreement, the matter may be deemed to be conclusively established by a certificate signed by the Issuer and delivered to the Paying Agent and the certificate shall be a full authorisation to the Paying Agent for any action taken or suffered in good faith by it under the provisions of this Agreement in reliance upon the certificate
- 18.4 The Agent shall not be under any obligation to take any action under this Agreement which it expects will result in any expense or liability accruing to it, the payment of which within a reasonable time is not, in its opinion, assured to it.

# 19. **CONDITIONS OF APPOINTMENT**

- 19.1 Each Paying Agent shall be entitled to deal with money paid to it by the Issuer for the purpose of this Agreement in the same manner as other money paid to a banker by its customers except:
  - (a) that it shall not exercise any right of set-off, lien or similar claim in respect of the money; and
  - (b) that it shall not be liable to account to the Issuer for any interest on the money.
- 19.2 In acting under this Agreement and in connection with the Notes, each Paying Agent shall act solely as an agent of the Issuer and will not assume any obligations towards or relationship of agency or trust for or with any of the owners or holders of the Notes, Receipts, Coupons or Talons.
- 19.3 Each Paying Agent undertakes to the Issuer to perform its duties, and shall be obliged to perform the duties and only the duties, specifically stated in this Agreement (including Schedule 5 in the case of the Agent), the Conditions and the Procedures Memorandum, and no implied duties or obligations shall be read into any of those documents against any Paying Agent, other than the duty to act honestly and in good faith and to exercise the diligence of a reasonably prudent agent in comparable circumstances. Each of the Paying Agents (other than the Agent) agrees that if any information that is required by the Agent to perform the duties set out in Schedule 5 becomes known to it, it will promptly provide such information to the Agent.
- 19.4 The Agent may consult with legal and other professional advisers and the opinion of the advisers shall be full and complete protection in respect of any action taken, omitted or suffered under this Agreement in good faith and in accordance with the opinion of the advisers. Failure to consult such advisers on any matter shall not be construed as evidence of the Agent not acting in good faith.

- 19.5 Each Paying Agent shall be protected and shall incur no liability in respect of any action taken, omitted or suffered in reliance on any instruction from the Issuer or any document which it reasonably believes to be genuine and to have been delivered by the proper party or on written instructions from the Issuer.
- 19.6 Any Paying Agent and its officers, directors and employees may become the owner of, and/or acquire any interest in, any Notes, Receipts, Coupons or Talons with the same rights that it or he would have had if the Paying Agent concerned were not appointed under this Agreement, and may engage or be interested in any financial or other transaction with the Issuer and may act on, or as depositary, trustee or agent for, any committee or body of holders of Notes or Coupons or in connection with any other obligations of the Issuer as freely as if the Paying Agent were not appointed under this Agreement.
- 19.7 The Issuer shall provide the Agent with a certified copy of the list of persons authorised to execute documents and take action on its behalf in connection with this Agreement and shall notify the Agent immediately in writing if any of those persons ceases to be authorised or if any additional person becomes authorised together, in the case of an additional authorised person, with evidence satisfactory to the Agent that the person has been authorised.
- 19.8 Except as otherwise permitted in the Conditions or as ordered by a court of competent jurisdiction or as required by law or applicable regulations, the Issuer and each of the Paying Agents shall be entitled to treat the bearer of any Note, Receipts or Coupon as the absolute owner of it (whether or not it is overdue and notwithstanding any notice of ownership or writing on it or notice of any previous loss or theft of it).
- 19.9 The amount of the Programme may be increased by the Issuer in accordance with the procedure set out in the Programme Agreement. Upon any increase being effected, all references in this Agreement to the amount of the Programme shall be deemed to be references to the increased amount.

# 20. COMMUNICATIONS BETWEEN THE PARTIES

A copy of all communications relating to the subject matter of this Agreement between the Issuer and any Paying Agent (other than the Agent) shall be sent to the Agent.

# 21. CHANGES IN PAYING AGENTS

- 21.1 The Issuer agrees that, for so long as any Note is outstanding, or until moneys for the payment of all amounts in respect of all outstanding Notes have been made available to the Agent and have been returned to the Issuer, as provided in this Agreement:
  - (a) so long as any Notes are listed on any Stock Exchange or admitted to listing by any other relevant authority, there will at all times be a Paying Agent, with a specified office in such place as may be required by the rules and regulations of the relevant Stock Exchange or other relevant authority;
  - (b) there will at all times be an Agent;
  - (c) there will at all times be a Paying Agent in a Member State of the European Union that will not be obliged to withhold or deduct tax pursuant to European

Council Directive 2003/48/EC or any law implementing or complying with, or introduced in order to conform to, such Directive; and

(d) there will at all times be a Paying Agent in a jurisdiction within continental Europe, other than the jurisdiction in which the Issuer is incorporated.

In addition, the Issuer shall immediately appoint a Paying Agent having a specified office in New York City in the circumstances described in Condition 6.4. Any variation, termination, appointment or change shall only take effect (other than in the case of insolvency (as provided in Clause 21.5), when it shall be of immediate effect) after not less than 30 nor more than 45 days' prior notice shall have been given to the Noteholders in accordance with Condition 14.

- 21.2 The Agent may (subject as provided in Clause 21.4) at any time resign by giving at least 45 days' written notice to the Issuer specifying the date on which its resignation shall become effective.
- 21.3 The Agent may (subject as provided in Clause 21.4) be removed at any time by the Issuer on at least 45 days' notice in writing from the Issuer specifying the date when the removal shall become effective.
- 21.4 Any resignation under Clause 21.2 or removal of the Agent under Clauses 21.3 or 21.5 shall only take effect upon the appointment by the Issuer of a successor Agent and (other than in cases of insolvency of the Agent) on the expiry of the notice to be given under Clause 23 (*Notification of Changes to Paying Agents*). The Issuer agrees with the Agent that if, by the day falling 10 days before the expiry of any notice under Clause 21.2, the Issuer has not appointed a successor Agent then the Agent shall be entitled, on behalf of the Issuer, to appoint in its place as a successor Agent a reputable financial institution of good standing which the Issuer shall approve.
- 21.5 In case at any time any Paying Agent resigns, or is removed, or becomes incapable of acting or is adjudged bankrupt or insolvent, or files a voluntary petition in bankruptcy or makes an assignment for the benefit of its creditors or consents to the appointment of an administrator, liquidator or administrative or other receiver of all or a substantial part of its property, or admits in writing its inability to pay or meet its debts as they mature or suspends payment of its debts, or if any order of any court is entered approving any petition filed by or against it under the provisions of any applicable bankruptcy or insolvency law or if a receiver of it or of all or a substantial part of its property is appointed or if any officer takes charge or control of it or of its property or affairs for the purpose of rehabilitation, conservation or liquidation, a successor Paying Agent which shall be a reputable financial institution of good standing may be appointed by the Issuer. Upon the appointment of a successor Paying Agent and acceptance by it of its appointment and (other than in case of insolvency of the Paying Agent when it shall be of immediate effect) upon expiry of the notice to be given under Clause 23 (Notification of Changes to Paving Agents), the Paying Agent so superseded shall cease to be a Paying Agent under this Agreement.
- 21.6 Subject to Clause 21.1, the Issuer may, after prior consultation with the Agent, terminate the appointment of any of the other Paying Agents at any time and/or appoint one or more further or other Paying Agents by giving to the Agent and to the relevant

other Paying Agent at least 45 days' notice in writing to that effect (other than in the case of insolvency).

- 21.7 Subject to Clause 21.1, all or any of the Paying Agents (other than the Agent) may resign their respective appointments under this Agreement at any time by giving the Issuer and the Agent at least 45 days' written notice to that effect.
- 21.8 Upon its resignation or removal becoming effective, a Paying Agent shall:
  - (a) in the case of the Agent, immediately transfer all moneys and records held by it under this Agreement to the successor Agent; and
  - (b) be entitled to the payment by the Issuer of the commissions, fees and expenses payable in respect of its services under this Agreement before termination in accordance with the terms of Clause 16 (*Commissions and Expenses*).
- 21.9 Upon its appointment becoming effective, a successor or new Paying Agent shall, without any further action, become vested with all the authority, rights, powers, duties and obligations of its predecessor or, as the case may be, a Paying Agent with the same effect as if originally named as a Paying Agent under this Agreement.

## 22. MERGER AND CONSOLIDATION

Any corporation into which any Paying Agent may be merged or converted, or any corporation with which a Paying Agent may be consolidated, or any corporation resulting from any merger, conversion or consolidation to which a Paying Agent shall be a party, or any corporation to which a Paying Agent shall sell or otherwise transfer all or substantially all of its assets shall, on the date when the merger, conversion, consolidation or transfer becomes effective and to the extent permitted by any applicable laws, become the successor Paying Agent under this Agreement without the execution or filing of any paper or any further act on the part of the parties to this Agreement, unless otherwise required by the Issuer and after the said effective date all references in this Agreement to the relevant Paying Agent shall be deemed to be references to such successor corporation. Written notice of any such merger, conversion, conversion, consolidation or transfer shall immediately be given to the Issuer by the relevant Paying Agent.

# 23. NOTIFICATION OF CHANGES TO PAYING AGENTS

Following receipt of notice of resignation from a Paying Agent and immediately after appointing a successor or new Paying Agent or on giving notice to terminate the appointment of any Paying Agent, the Agent (on behalf of and at the expense of the Issuer) shall give or cause to be given not more than 45 days' nor less than 30 days' notice of the fact to the Noteholders in accordance with the Conditions.

# 24. CHANGE OF SPECIFIED OFFICE

If any Paying Agent determines to change its specified office it shall give to the Issuer and the Agent written notice of that fact giving the address of the new specified office which shall be in the same city (for the purposes of which the Grand Duchy of Luxembourg shall be deemed to be a city) and stating the date on which the change is to take effect, which shall not be less than 45 days after the notice. The Agent (on behalf and at the expense of the Issuer) shall within 15 days of receipt of the notice (unless the appointment of the relevant Paying Agent is to terminate pursuant to Clause 21 (*Changes in Paying Agents*) on or prior to the date of the change) give or cause to be given not more than 45 days' nor less than 30 days' notice of the change to the Noteholders in accordance with the Conditions.

# 25. **COMMUNICATIONS**

- 25.1 All communications shall be by fax, electronic communication or letter delivered by hand or (but only where specifically provided in the Procedures Memorandum) by telephone. Each communication shall be made to the relevant party at the fax number, electronic address or address or telephone number and, in the case of a communication by fax, electronic communication or letter, marked for the attention of, or (in the case of a communication by telephone) made to, the person or department from time to time specified in writing by that party to the others for the purpose. The initial telephone number, fax number, electronic address and person or department so specified by each party are set out in the Procedures Memorandum.
- 25.2 A communication shall be deemed received (if by fax) when an acknowledgement of receipt is received, (if by electronic communication) when the relevant receipt of such communication being read is given, or where no read receipt is requested by the sender, at the time of sending, provided that no delivery failure notification is received by the sender within 24 hours of sending such communication, (if by telephone) when made or (if by letter) when delivered, in each case in the manner required by this Clause. However, if a communication is received after business hours (i.e. after 4.00 p.m. (Luxembourg time)) on any business day or on a day which is not a business day in the place of receipt it shall be deemed to be received and become effective at the opening of business (i.e. after 10.00 a.m. (Luxembourg time)) on the next business day in the place of receipt. Every communication shall be irrevocable save in respect of any manifest error in it.
- 25.3 Any notice given under or in connection with this Agreement shall be in English. All other documents provided under or in connection with this Agreement shall be:
  - (a) in English; or
  - (b) if not in English, accompanied by a certified English translation and, in this case, the English translation shall prevail unless the document is a statutory or other official document.
- 25.4 In relation to any electronic communication in accordance with this Clause 25 (*Communications*), the Agent cannot guarantee the integrity and safety of data transferred over the internet nor be responsible for any delay in the processing of any electronic communication. The Agent shall not therefore be liable for any operational incident and its consequences arising from the use of Internet.

#### 26. TAXES AND STAMP DUTIES

The Issuer agrees to pay any and all stamp and other documentary taxes or duties which may be payable in connection with the execution, delivery, performance and enforcement of this Agreement.

# 27. CONFIDENTIALITY AND DATA PROTECTION

#### 27.1 **Confidentiality**

The Agent and the Issuer undertake to respect and protect the confidentiality of all information acquired as a result of or pursuant to this Agreement and will not, without the other party's prior written consent, disclose any such information to a third party, unless it is required to do so by any applicable law or regulation or is specifically authorised to do so hereunder or by any separate agreement, especially where the provision of such information is the object or part of the service to be provided by the Agent.

#### 27.2 Subcontracting and transfer of data

The Issuer authorises:

- (a) the Agent to subcontract, under its responsibility and in compliance with applicable laws and regulations, the provision of the services (in whole or in part) to the Agent's group entities or third parties. The Issuer has been informed of the International Operating Model of the Paying Agent. The Issuer will be electronically notified by the Agent of any change to the International Operating Model, including new subcontracting. Unless the Paying Agent receives written refusal from the Issuer within 30 (thirty) calendar days following the notification by the Agent, the Issuer will be deemed to have given its consent to it, without prejudice to any obligations the Issuer may have toward investors;
- (b) the transfer of data, under the Agent's responsibility, to the Agent's group entities or third parties (such as to a correspondent, or any other person providing services to the Agent) if such transmission is required to allow the Agent to provide its services to the Issuer or to satisfy legal obligations it or the recipient of the data is subject to. The Agent assumes the responsibility and ensures that these third parties treat these Data as confidential; and
- (c) the transfer of data to the Agent's group entities as necessary to establish and monitor the risk profile and supervise global exposure of the Agent to the Issuer. Data include information in relation to the identity of the Issuer (i.e. name, address details, contact persons and related details), its articles of incorporation, its prospectus, its providers.

#### 27.3 **Personal Data Protection**

Each Party is an independent data Controller with respect to the processing it carries out under this Agreement. The Parties are not joint data Controllers and no Party acts as data Processor vis-a-vis the other. As such, no Party may be held jointly and severally liable, in any way whatsoever, for actions, omissions or breaches of the other Party of its obligations as data Controller.

The Parties hereby agree to comply with the provisions of Regulation (EU) 2016/679 of 27 April 2016 on the protection of natural persons with regard to the processing of

personal data and on the free movement of such data, and repealing Directive 95/46/EC ("General Data Protection Regulation", "GDPR").

Capitalised terms used in this Clause which are not defined in this Agreement shall have the meaning assigned to them in the GDPR.

The Agent carries out a number of different Personal Data processing tasks in relation to the performance of this Agreement. Information on Personal Data processing, the purpose of such processing and the manner in which Data Subjects may exercise their rights over their Personal Data are set out in the Agent's data protection notice, which may be consulted at: <u>https://cib.bnpparibas.com/about/privacy-policy\_a-38-60.html</u>.

#### 27.4 **The Issuer's obligation to inform**

Unless the provision of such information proves impossible or would require disproportionate effort, the Issuer agrees to inform Data Subjects whose Personal Data is transferred by the Issuer to the Agent for the processing carried out by the Agent and to draw their attention to the Agent's data protection notice.

#### 27.5 **Cooperation between the Parties**

If a court and/or a Supervisory Authority requests information conducts an investigation or brings an action against a Party pursuant to this Clause, the other Party agrees to promptly cooperate in good faith in order to provide reasonable assistance to such Party to the extent requested by the latter.

#### 27.6 International transfer of Personal Data

Each Party hereby agrees that any transfer of Personal Data outside the European Economic Area shall be subject to the appropriate safeguards (e.g. the European Union standard clauses on the transfer of personal data from the Data Controller to a Data Processor.

Notwithstanding Clause 27, there may be cases where the Agent is requested by the Issuer to process Personal Data on behalf of the Issuer (the "**Personal Data Processing Event**") notably such as with respect to corporate actions involving a disclosure of identities of Noteholders. For such purpose, the Issuer will act as Data Controller and the Agent as Data Processor.

The Issuer is made aware that, prior to any such processing of Personal Data by the Agent on behalf of the Issuer, the Issuer as Data Controller and the Agent as Data Processor are required to enter into a separate data processing agreement in accordance with Article 28 of the EU Data Protection Law, in order to cover their respective GDPR obligations in this framework. Should the Issuer and the Agent not be able to enter into such separate data processing agreement before the occurrence of the Personal Data Processing Event, the Agent will not be able to provide its services to the Issuer with respect to the Personal Data Processing Event.

#### 28. WAIVER OF RIGHTS

No failure or delay of the Issuer or of the Agent in exercising any right or remedy under this Agreement shall constitute a waiver of that right. Any waiver of any right will be limited to the specific instance. The exclusion or omission of any provision or term from this Agreement shall not be deemed to be a waiver of any right or remedy the Issuer or the Agent may have under applicable law.

#### 29. ENTIRE AGREEMENT

29.1 This agreement constitutes the entire agreement and understanding of the parties and supersedes any previous agreement or understanding between them relating to the subject matter of this agreement (with the exception of fee arrangements which are as separately agreed between the parties pursuant to Clause 16 (*Commissions and Expenses*)).

#### **30. AMENDMENTS**

The Agent and the Issuer may agree, without the consent of the Noteholders, Receiptholders or Couponholders, to:

- (a) any modification of this Agreement which is not prejudicial to the interests of the Noteholders; or
- (b) any modification (except as mentioned in the Conditions) of the Notes, the Receipts, the Coupons or this Agreement which is of a formal, minor or technical nature or is made to correct a manifest error or to comply with mandatory provisions of law.

Any modification so made shall be binding on the Noteholders, the Receiptholders and the Couponholders and shall be notified to the Noteholders in accordance with Condition 14 as soon as practicable after it has been agreed.

## 31. CONTRACTS (RIGHTS OF THIRD PARTIES) ACT 1999

A person who is not a party to this Agreement has no right under the Contracts (Rights of Third Parties) Act 1999 to enforce any term of this Agreement, but this does not affect any right or remedy of a third party which exists or is available apart from that Act.

### 32. CONTRACTUAL RECOGNITION OF BAIL-IN AND STAY POWERS

Notwithstanding and to the exclusion of any other term in this Agreement or any other agreements, arrangements, or understandings between or among any of the parties to this Agreement, each of the parties to this Agreement acknowledges, accepts and agrees that a BRRD Liability arising under this Agreement may be subject to the exercise of Bail-in Powers by the Relevant Resolution Authority, and acknowledges, accepts and agrees to be bound by:

- (a) the effect of the exercise of Bail-in Powers by the Relevant Resolution Authority in relation to any BRRD Liability of any BRRD Entity to it under this Agreement, that (without limitation) may include and result in any of the following, or some combination thereof:
  - (i) the reduction of all, or a portion, of any BRRD Liability or outstanding amounts due thereon;

- (ii) the conversion of all, or a portion, of any BRRD Liability into shares, other securities or other obligations of the relevant BRRD Entity or another person and the issue to or conferral on it of such shares, securities or obligations;
- (iii) the cancellation of any BRRD Liability; and
- (iv) the amendment or alteration of any interest, if applicable, thereon, the maturity or the dates on which any payments are due, including by suspending payment for a temporary period; and
- (b) the variation of the terms of this Agreement, as deemed necessary by the Relevant Resolution Authority, to give effect to the exercise of Bail-in Powers by the Relevant Resolution Authority.

In addition, each of the parties to this Agreement acknowledges, accepts and agrees:

- (a) to be bound by the effect of an application of Stay Powers; and
- (b) (i) that the Exclusion Conditions will apply and (ii) to be bound by the application of the Exclusion Conditions.

"**Bail-in Legislation**" means in relation to a member state of the European Economic Area which has implemented, or which at any time implements, the BRRD, the relevant implementing law, regulation, rule or requirement as described in the EU Bail-in Legislation Schedule from time to time.

"**Bail-in Powers**" means any Write-down and Conversion Powers as defined in the EU Bail-in Legislation Schedule, in relation to the relevant Bail-in Legislation.

"**BRRD Entity**" means any party to this Agreement that is subject to Bail-in Powers and/or as applicable, in the case of the Issuer, Stay Powers.

"**BRRD Liability**" means a liability in respect of which the relevant Bail-in Powers may be exercised.

"EU Bail-in Legislation Schedule" means the document described as such, then in effect, and published by the Loan Market Association (or any successor person) from time to time.

"Exclusion Conditions" means the exclusion of certain contractual terms in early intervention and resolution set out in Article 68 of the BRRD and any provision of Danish law transposing or implementing such Article, including Section 31 of the Danish Recovery and Resolution Act and any Executive Orders issued pursuant thereto and any regulatory standards adopted by the European Commission pursuant to Article 71(a) of the BRRD.

"**Relevant Resolution Authority**" means, in respect of any BRRD Entity, the resolution authority with the ability to exercise any Bail-in Powers and/or, as applicable, any Stay Powers in relation to such BRRD Entity.

"Stay Powers" means the powers of the Relevant Resolution Authority, which include the suspension of payment or delivery obligations and/or the suspension of termination rights, as set out in Article 33(a), Article 69, Article 70 and Article 71 of the BRRD and any provision of Danish law transposing or implementing such Articles, including, without limitation, Sections 4(a) and 32-34 of the Danish Recovery and Resolution Act and any Executive Orders issued pursuant thereto and any regulatory standards adopted by the European Commission pursuant to Article 71(a) of the BRRD.

## 33. GOVERNING LAW AND SUBMISSION TO JURISDICTION

- 33.1 This Agreement and any non-contractual obligations arising out of or in connection with it are governed by, and shall be construed in accordance with, the laws of England, except for the Provisions for Meetings of Noteholders contained in Schedule 3, the "Danish Law Provisions" which shall be governed by, and construed in accordance with, the laws of the Kingdom of Denmark.
- 33.2 The Issuer irrevocably agrees for the benefit of the Paying Agents that the courts of England are to have jurisdiction to settle any disputes which may arise out of or in connection with this Agreement (including any dispute relating to any non-contractual obligations arising out of or in connection with this Agreement) (other than the Danish Law Provisions) and that accordingly any suit, action or proceedings (together referred to as "**Proceedings**") arising out of or in connection with this Agreement (including any Proceedings relating to any non-contractual obligations arising out of or in connection with this Agreement (including any Proceedings relating to any non-contractual obligations arising out of or in connection with this Agreement) (other than the Danish Law Provisions) may be brought in such courts.

The Issuer irrevocably agrees for the benefit of the Paying Agents that the courts of Denmark are to have jurisdiction to settle any disputes which may arise out of or in connection with the Danish Law Provisions and that accordingly any Proceedings arising out of or in connection with the Danish Law Provisions may be brought in such courts.

- 33.3 The Issuer irrevocably waives any objection which it may have to the laying of the venue of any Proceedings in any such courts and any claim that any such Proceedings have been brought in an inconvenient forum and further irrevocably agrees that a judgment in any Proceedings brought in the English courts or the Danish courts, as the case may be, shall be conclusive and binding upon it and may be enforced in the courts of any other jurisdiction.
- 33.4 Nothing contained in this Clause shall limit any right to take Proceedings against the Issuer in any other court of competent jurisdiction, nor shall the taking of Proceedings in one or more jurisdictions preclude the taking of Proceedings in any other jurisdiction, whether concurrently or not.
- 33.5 The Issuer appoints Law Debenture Corporate Services Limited at its registered office at Fifth Floor, 100 Wood Street, London EC2V 7EC as its agent for service of process, and undertakes that, in the event of Law Debenture Corporate Services Limited ceasing so to act or ceasing to be registered in England, it will appoint another person, as the Agent may approve, as its agent for service of process in England in respect of any Proceedings. Nothing in this Clause 32 (*Governing Law and Submission to Jurisdiction*) shall affect the right to serve process in any other manner permitted by law.

# 34. **COUNTERPARTS**

This Agreement may be executed in any number of counterparts, and this has the same effect as if the signatures on the counterparts were on a single copy of this Agreement.

## SCHEDULE 1 FORM OF CALCULATION AGENCY AGREEMENT

# CALCULATION AGENCY AGREEMENT

# DATED []

# RINGKJØBING LANDBOBANK AKTIESELSKAB

### €2,000,000,000

## EURO MEDIUM TERM NOTE PROGRAMME

# THIS AGREEMENT is dated []

#### **BETWEEN**:

- (1) RINGKJØBING LANDBOBANK AKTIESELSKAB (the "Issuer"); and
- (2) [] of [] (the "Calculation Agent", which expression shall include any successor calculation agent appointed under this Agreement).

## IT IS AGREED:

# 1. **APPOINTMENT OF THE CALCULATION AGENT**

The Calculation Agent is appointed, and the Calculation Agent agrees to act, as Calculation Agent in respect of each Series of Notes described in the Schedule (the "**Relevant Notes**") for the purposes set out in Clause 1.5 and on the terms of this Agreement. The agreement of the parties that this Agreement is to apply to each Series of Relevant Notes shall be evidenced by the manuscript annotation and signature in counterpart of the Schedule.

# 2. **DUTIES OF CALCULATION AGENT**

The Calculation Agent shall in relation to each series of Relevant Notes (each a "Series") perform all the functions and duties imposed on the Calculation Agent by the terms and conditions of the Relevant Notes (the "Conditions") including endorsing the Schedule appropriately in relation to each Series of Relevant Notes. In addition, the Calculation Agent agrees that it will provide a copy of all calculations made by it which affect the nominal amount outstanding of any Relevant Notes which are identified on the Schedule as being NGNs to BNP Paribas Securities Services, Luxembourg Branch to the contact details set out on the signature page hereof.

#### 3. **EXPENSES**

The arrangements in relation to expenses will be separately agreed in relation to each issue of Relevant Notes.

## 4. **INDEMNITY**

The Issuer shall indemnify the Calculation Agent against any losses, liabilities, costs, claims, actions, demands or expenses (together, "Losses") (including, but not limited to, all reasonable costs, legal fees, charges and expenses (together, "Expenses") paid or incurred in disputing or defending any Losses) which it may incur or which may be made against it as a result of or in connection with its appointment or the exercise of its powers and duties under this Agreement except for any Losses or Expenses resulting from its own default, negligence or bad faith or that of its officers, directors or employees or the breach by it of the terms of this Agreement.

## 5. **CONDITIONS OF APPOINTMENT**

- 5.1 In acting under this Agreement and in connection with the Relevant Notes, the Calculation Agent shall act solely as an agent of the Issuer and will not assume any obligations towards or relationship of agency or trust for or with any of the owners or holders of the Relevant Notes or the receipts or coupons (if any) appertaining to the Relevant Notes (the "**Receipts**" and the "**Coupons**", respectively).
- 5.2 In relation to each issue of Relevant Notes, the Calculation Agent shall be obliged to perform the duties and only the duties specifically stated in this Agreement and the Conditions and no implied duties or obligations shall be read into this Agreement or the Conditions against the Calculation Agent, other than the duty to act honestly and in good faith and to exercise the diligence of a reasonably prudent expert in comparable circumstances.
- 5.3 The Calculation Agent may consult with legal and other professional advisers and the opinion of the advisers shall be full and complete protection in respect of any action taken, omitted or suffered under this Agreement in good faith and in accordance with the opinion of the advisers.
- 5.4 The Calculation Agent shall be protected and shall incur no liability in respect of any action taken, omitted or suffered in reliance on any instruction from the Issuer or any document which it reasonably believes to be genuine and to have been delivered by the proper party or on written instructions from the Issuer.
- 5.5 The Calculation Agent and any of its officers, directors and employees may become the owner of, or acquire any interest in, any Notes, Receipts or Coupons (if any) with the same rights that it or he would have had if the Calculation Agent were not appointed under this Agreement, and may engage or be interested in any financial or other transaction with the Issuer and may act on, or as depositary, trustee or agent for, any committee or body of holders of Notes or Coupons or in connection with any other obligations of the Issuer as freely as if the Calculation Agent were not appointed under this Agreement.

#### 6. **TERMINATION OF APPOINTMENT**

6.1 The Issuer may terminate the appointment of the Calculation Agent at any time by giving to the Calculation Agent at least 45 days' prior written notice to that effect, **provided that**, so long as any of the Relevant Notes is outstanding:

- (a) the notice shall not expire less than 45 days before any date on which any calculation is due to be made in respect of any Relevant Notes; and
- (b) notice shall be given in accordance with the Conditions to the holders of the Relevant Notes at least 30 days before any removal of the Calculation Agent.
- 6.2 Notwithstanding the provisions of Clause 6.1, if at any time:
  - (a) the Calculation Agent becomes incapable of acting, or is adjudged bankrupt or insolvent, or files a voluntary petition in bankruptcy or makes an assignment for the benefit of its creditors or consents to the appointment of an administrator, liquidator or administrative or other receiver of all or any substantial part of its property, or admits in writing its inability to pay or meet its debts as they may mature or suspends payment of its debts, or if any order of any court is entered approving any petition filed by or against it under the provisions of any applicable bankruptcy or insolvency law or if a receiver of it or of all or a substantial part of its property is appointed or if any officer takes charge or control of the Calculation Agent or of its property or affairs for the purpose of rehabilitation, conservation or liquidation; or
  - (b) the Calculation Agent fails duly to perform any function or duty imposed on it by the Conditions and this Agreement,

the Issuer may immediately without notice terminate the appointment of the Calculation Agent, in which event notice of the termination shall be given to the holders of the Relevant Notes in accordance with the Conditions as soon as practicable.

- 6.3 The termination of the appointment of the Calculation Agent under Clauses 6.1 or 6.2 shall not entitle the Calculation Agent to any amount by way of compensation but shall be without prejudice to any amount then accrued due.
- 6.4 The Calculation Agent may resign its appointment under this Agreement at any time by giving to the Issuer at least 45 days' prior written notice to that effect. Following receipt of a notice of resignation from the Calculation Agent, the Issuer shall promptly give notice of the resignation to the holders of the Relevant Notes in accordance with the Conditions.
- 6.5 Notwithstanding the provisions of Clauses 6.1, 6.2 and 6.4, so long as any of the Relevant Notes is outstanding, the termination of the appointment of the Calculation Agent (whether by the Issuer or by the resignation of the Calculation Agent) shall not be effective unless upon the expiry of the relevant notice a successor Calculation Agent has been appointed. The Issuer agrees with the Calculation Agent that if, by the day falling 10 days before the expiry of any notice under Clause 6.4, the Issuer has not appointed a replacement Calculation Agent, the Calculation Agent shall be entitled, on behalf of the Issuer, to appoint as a successor Calculation Agent in its place a reputable financial institution of good standing which the Issuer shall approve.
- 6.6 Upon its appointment becoming effective, a successor Calculation Agent shall without any further action, become vested with all the authority, rights, powers, duties and

obligations of its predecessor with the same effect as if originally named as the Calculation Agent under this Agreement.

- 6.7 If the appointment of the Calculation Agent under this Agreement is terminated (whether by the Issuer or by the resignation of the Calculation Agent), the Calculation Agent shall on the date on which the termination takes effect deliver to the successor Calculation Agent any records concerning the Relevant Notes maintained by it (except those documents and records which it is obliged by law or regulation to retain or not to release), but shall have no other duties or responsibilities under this Agreement.
- 6.8 Any corporation into which the Calculation Agent may be merged or converted, or any corporation with which the Calculation Agent may be consolidated, or any corporation resulting from any merger, conversion or consolidation to which the Calculation Agent shall be a party, or any corporation to which the Calculation Agent shall sell or otherwise transfer all or substantially all of its assets shall, on the date when the merger, consolidation or transfer becomes effective and to the extent permitted by any applicable laws, become the successor Calculation Agent under this Agreement without the execution or filing of any paper or any further act on the part of any of the parties to this Agreement, unless otherwise required by the Issuer, and after the said effective date all references in this Agreement to the Calculation Agent shall be deemed to be references to such successor corporation. Written notice of any such merger, conversion, consolidation or transfer shall immediately be given to the Issuer and the Agent by the Calculation Agent.

## 7. **COMMUNICATIONS**

- 7.1 All communications shall be by fax or letter delivered by hand. Each communication shall be made to the relevant party at the fax number or address and marked for the attention of the person or department from time to time specified in writing by that party to the other[s] for the purpose. The initial fax number and person or department so specified by each party are set out in the Procedures Memorandum or, in the case of the Calculation Agent, on the signature page of this Agreement.
- 7.2 A communication shall be deemed received (if by fax) when an acknowledgement of receipt is received or (if by letter) when delivered, in each case in the manner required by this Clause 7 (*Communications*). However, if a communication is received after business hours on any business day or on a day which is not a business day in the place of receipt it shall be deemed to be received and become effective at the opening of business on the next business day in the place of receipt. Every communication shall be irrevocable save in respect of any manifest error in it.
- 7.3 Any notice given under or in connection with this Agreement shall be in English. All other documents provided under or in connection with this Agreement shall be:
  - (a) in English; or
  - (b) if not in English, accompanied by a certified English translation and, in this case, the English translation shall prevail unless the document is a statutory or other official document.

# 8. **DESCRIPTIVE HEADINGS AND COUNTERPARTS**

- 8.1 The descriptive headings in this Agreement are for convenience of reference only and shall not define or limit the provisions hereof.
- 8.2 This Agreement may be executed in any number of counterparts, and this has the same effect as if the signatures on the counterparts were on a single copy of this Agreement.

# 9. CONTRACTS (RIGHTS OF THIRD PARTIES) ACT 1999

A person who is not a party to this Agreement has no right under the Contracts (Rights of Third Parties) Act 1999 to enforce any term of this Agreement, but this does not affect any right or remedy of a third party which exists or is available apart from that Act.

#### 10. GOVERNING LAW AND SUBMISSION TO JURISDICTION

- 10.1 This Agreement and any non-contractual obligations arising out of or in connection with it are governed by, and shall be construed in accordance with, the laws of England.
- 10.2 The Issuer irrevocably agrees for the benefit of the Calculation Agent that the courts of England are to have jurisdiction to settle any disputes which may arise out of or in connection with this Agreement (including any dispute relating to any non-contractual obligations arising out of or in connection with this Agreement) and that accordingly any suit, action or proceedings (together referred to as "**Proceedings**") arising out of or in connection with this Agreement (including any Proceedings relating to any non-contractual obligations arising out of or in connection with this Agreement (including any Proceedings relating to any non-contractual obligations arising out of or in connection with this Agreement) may be brought in such courts.
- 10.3 The Issuer irrevocably waives any objection which it may have to the laying of the venue of any Proceedings in any such courts and any claim that any Proceedings have been brought in an inconvenient forum and further irrevocably agrees that a judgment in any Proceedings brought in the English courts shall be conclusive and binding upon it and may be enforced in the courts of any other jurisdiction.
- 10.4 Nothing contained in this Clause shall limit any right to take Proceedings against the Issuer in any other court of competent jurisdiction, nor shall the taking of Proceedings in one or more jurisdictions preclude the taking of Proceedings in any other jurisdiction, whether concurrently or not.
- 10.5 The Issuer appoints Law Debenture Corporate Services Limited at its registered office at Fifth Floor, 100 Wood Street, London EC2V 7EC as its agent for service of process, and undertakes that, in the event of Law Debenture Corporate Services Limited ceasing so to act or ceasing to be registered in England, it will appoint another person, as the Calculation Agent may approve, as its agent for the service of process in England in respect of any Proceedings. Nothing in this Clause 10 (*Duties of the Paying Agents in Connection with Early Redemption*) shall affect the right to serve process in any other manner permitted by law.

This Agreement has been entered into on the date stated at the beginning of this Agreement.

# RINGKJØBING LANDBOBANK AKTIESELSKAB

By:

# [CALCULATION AGENT]

[Address of Calculation Agent]

Telefax No: [•]

Attention: [•]

By:

# **Contact Details**

[•]

Telephone Number: [•]

Telefax No: [•]

Attention: [•]

[Note:

Without prejudice to the foregoing execution of this Agreement by the parties to it, [*CALCULATION AGENT*] expressly and specifically confirms its agreement with the provisions of Clause 10 (*Duties of the Paying Agents in Connection with Early Redemption*) of this Agreement for the purposes of Article 1 of the Protocol annexed to the Convention on jurisdiction and the enforcement of judgments in civil and commercial matters signed at Brussels on 27 September 1968.

# [CALCULATION AGENT]

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By:

# SCHEDULE ONE TO THE CALCULATION AGENCY AGREEMENT

			Title and		Annotation by
Series	Issue Date	Maturity	Nominal	NGN	Calculation
Number		Date	Amount	[Yes/No]	Agent/Issuer

# SCHEDULE 2 TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF THE NOTES

The following are the Terms and Conditions of the Notes which will be incorporated by reference into each Global Note (as defined below) and each definitive Note, in the latter case only if permitted by the relevant stock exchange or other relevant authority (if any) and agreed by the Issuer and the relevant Dealer at the time of issue but, if not so permitted and agreed, such definitive Note will have endorsed thereon or attached thereto such Terms and Conditions. The following Terms and Conditions will, whenever the context so permits, also apply to each VP Note. The applicable Final Terms (or the relevant provisions thereof) will be endorsed upon, or attached to, each Global Note and definitive Note and shall apply as aforesaid to VP Notes. Reference should be made to "Form of the Notes" for a description of the content of Final Terms which will specify which of such terms are to apply in relation to the relevant Notes.

This Note is one of a Series (as defined below) of Notes issued by Ringkjøbing Landbobank Aktieselskab (the "**Issuer**") pursuant to the Agency Agreement (as defined below) or the VP Issuing Agency Agreement (as defined below), as applicable.

References herein to the "Notes" shall be references to the Notes of this Series and shall mean:

- (a) in relation to any Notes issued in bearer form ("Bearer Notes") represented by a global Note (a "Global Note"), units of each Specified Denomination in the Specified Currency;
- (b) any Global Note;
- (c) any definitive Bearer Notes issued in exchange for a Global Note; and
- (d) Notes cleared through VP Securities A/S ("VP Notes" and the "VP" respectively) which are in uncertificated book entry form in accordance with Consolidated Act No. 2014 of 1 November 2021 on Capital Markets (the "Capital Markets Act"), as amended from time to time, and Executive Orders issued thereunder and Executive Order No. 1175 of 31 October 2017 on, inter alia, the registration of fund assets in a securities centre (CSD) (Da. *Bekendtgørelse om registrering m.v. af fondsaktiver i en værdipapircentral (CSD)*) (the "Danish VP Registration Order").

The Bearer Notes, the Receipts (as defined below) and the Coupons (as defined below) have the benefit of an Amended and Restated Agency Agreement (such Agency Agreement as further amended and/or supplemented and/or restated from time to time, the "Agency Agreement") dated 28 June 2022 and made between the Issuer, BNP Paribas Securities Services, Luxembourg Branch as issuing and principal paying agent and agent bank (the "Agent", which expression shall include any successor agent) and the other paying agents named therein (together with the Agent, the "Paying Agents", which expression shall include any additional or successor paying agents).

The Issuer will from time to time, as indicated in the Final Terms, appoint a VP Issuing Agent (the "**VP Issuing Agent**", which expression shall include any successor VP Issuing Agent) to act as the agent of the Issuer in respect of all dealings with the VP in respect of each Series of

VP Notes. The Issuer and the VP Issuing Agent will, in respect of each Series of VP Notes, enter into a VP Issuing Agency Agreement (the "**VP Issuing Agency Agreement**"). The VP Notes of the relevant Series will have the benefit of such VP Issuing Agency Agreement and, to the extent specified therein, the Agency Agreement.

Interest bearing definitive Bearer Notes have interest coupons ("**Coupons**") and, in the case of Notes which, where issued in definitive form have more than 27 interest payment remaining, talons for further Coupons ("**Talons**") attached on issue. Any reference herein to Coupons or coupons shall, unless the context otherwise requires, be deemed to include a reference to Talons or talons. Definitive Notes repayable in instalments have receipts ("**Receipts**") for the payment of the instalments of principal (other than the final instalment) attached on issue. Global Notes do not have Receipts, Coupons or Talons attached on issue.

The final terms for this Note (or the relevant provisions thereof) are set out in Part A of the Final Terms attached to or endorsed on or, in the case of VP Notes, incorporated into this Note which complete these Terms and Conditions (the "**Conditions**"). References to the "**applicable Final Terms**" are to Part A of the Final Terms (or the relevant provisions thereof) which is, in the case of Bearer Notes, attached to or endorsed on or, in the case of VP Notes, incorporated into this Note.

Any reference to "**Noteholders**" or "**holders**" shall, in relation to any Bearer Notes, mean the holders of the Bearer Notes and shall, in relation to any Notes represented by a Global Note, be construed as provided below. Any reference herein to **Receiptholders** shall mean to the holders of the Receipts and any reference herein to "**Couponholders**" shall mean the holders of the Coupons and shall, unless the context otherwise requires, include the holders of the Talons. VP Notes are in uncertificated and dematerialised book entry form and any reference in the Conditions to Receipts, Coupons and Talons shall not apply to VP Notes.

As used herein, "**Tranche**" means Notes which are identical in all respects (including as to listing and admission to trading) and "**Series**" means a Tranche of Notes together with any further Tranche or Tranches of Notes which are (a) expressed to be consolidated and form a single series and (b) identical in all respects (including as to listing and admission to trading) except for their respective Issue Dates, Interest Commencement Dates and/or Issue Prices.

In respect of any Bearer Notes, the Receiptholders, Noteholders and the Couponholders are entitled to the benefit of the Declaration of Direct Rights dated 29 June 2021 (as restated, amended and/or updated from time to time, the "**Declaration of Direct Rights**") and executed by the Issuer in relation to the Notes.

Copies of the Agency Agreement and the Declaration of Direct Rights are available for inspection during normal business hours at the specified office of each of the Paying Agents. Copies of the applicable Final Terms (and, in the case of VP Notes, the applicable VP Issuing Agency Agreement) are available for viewing at the registered office of the Issuer and of the Agent (in the case of Bearer Notes) or the VP Issuing Agent (in the case of VP Notes) and copies may be obtained from those offices save that, if this Note is neither admitted to trading on a regulated market in the European Economic Area nor offered in the European Economic Area in circumstances where a prospectus is required to be published under the Prospectus Regulation, the applicable Final Terms (and, in the case of VP Notes, the applicable VP Issuing Agency Agreement) will only be obtainable by a Noteholder holding one or more Notes and such Noteholder must produce evidence satisfactory to the Issuer and the relevant Paying Agent (in the case of Bearer Notes) or the VP Issuing Agent (in the case of VP Notes) as to its holding

of such Notes and identity. The Noteholders, the Receiptholders and the Couponholders are deemed to have notice of, and are entitled to the benefit of, all the provisions of the Agency Agreement (but, in the case of VP Notes, only to the extent specified in the VP Issuing Agency Agreement), the Declaration of Direct Rights (in the case of Bearer Notes), the applicable VP Issuing Agency Agreement (in the case of VP Notes) and the applicable Final Terms which are applicable to them. The statements in the Conditions include summaries of, and are subject to, the detailed provisions of the Agency Agreement (and, in the case of VP Notes, the applicable VP Issuing Agency Agreement).

Words and expressions defined in the Agency Agreement or used in the relevant Final Terms shall have the same meanings where used in the Conditions unless the context otherwise requires or unless otherwise stated and **provided that**, in the event of inconsistency between the Agency Agreement and the relevant Final Terms, the relevant Final Terms will prevail.

## 1. FORM, DENOMINATION AND TITLE

1.1 The Notes are in bearer form or, in the case of VP Notes, in uncertificated and dematerialised book entry form, as specified in the relevant Final Terms and, in the case of definitive Notes, serially numbered, in the Specified Currency and the Specified Denomination(s). Notes of one Specified Denomination may not be exchanged for Notes of another Specified Denomination.

Bearer Notes may not be exchanged for VP Notes and vice versa.

This Note may be a Fixed Rate Note, a Floating Rate Note, a Zero Coupon Note or a combination of any of the foregoing, depending upon the Interest Basis shown in the applicable Final Terms.

This Note may be an Instalment Note depending upon the Redemption/Payment Basis shown in the applicable Final Terms.

This Note may also be a Preferred Senior Note, a Non-Preferred Senior Note or a Subordinated Note as indicated in the applicable Final Terms.

Definitive Notes are issued with Coupons attached, unless they are Zero Coupon Notes in which case references to Coupons and Couponholders in the Conditions are not applicable.

Subject as set out below, title to the Bearer Notes, Receipts and Coupons will pass by delivery. The Issuer and the Paying Agents will (except as otherwise required by law) deem and treat the bearer of any Bearer Note, Receipt or Coupon as the absolute owner thereof (whether or not overdue and notwithstanding any notice of ownership or writing thereon or notice of any previous loss or theft thereof) for all purposes but, in the case of any Global Note, without prejudice to the provisions set out in the next succeeding paragraph.

For so long as any of the Notes is represented by a Global Note held on behalf of Euroclear Bank SA/NV ("Euroclear") and/or Clearstream Banking, S.A. ("Clearstream, Luxembourg"), each person (other than Euroclear or Clearstream, Luxembourg) who is for the time being shown in the records of Euroclear or of Clearstream, Luxembourg as the holder of a particular nominal amount of such Notes

(in which regard any certificate or other document issued by Euroclear or Clearstream, Luxembourg as to the nominal amount of such Notes standing to the account of any person shall be conclusive and binding for all purposes save in the case of manifest error) shall be treated by the Issuer and the Paying Agents as the holder of such nominal amount of such Notes for all purposes other than with respect to the payment of principal or interest on such nominal amount of such Notes, for which purpose the bearer of the relevant Global Note shall be treated by the Issuer and any Paying Agent as the holder of such nominal amount of such Notes in accordance with and subject to the terms of the relevant Global Note and the expressions "**Noteholder**" and "**holder of Notes**" and related expressions shall be construed accordingly.

Notes which are represented by a Global Note will be transferable only in accordance with the rules and procedures for the time being of Euroclear and Clearstream, Luxembourg, as the case may be. References to Euroclear and/or Clearstream, Luxembourg shall, whenever the context so permits, be deemed to include a reference to any additional or alternative clearing system specified in the applicable Final Terms.

1.2 In the case of a VP Note, the person evidenced as the holder of such VP Note by a book entry in the book entry system and register maintained by the VP shall be treated by the Issuer, the Agent, the VP Issuing Agent and any other Paying Agent as the holder of such Notes for all purposes and expressions "**Noteholder**" and "**holder of Notes**" and related expressions shall be construed accordingly. Ownership of the VP Notes will be transferred by registration in the register between the direct or nominee accountholders at the VP in accordance with the rules and procedures of the VP from time to time. Where a nominee is so evidenced, it shall be treated by the Issuer, the Agent, the VP Issuing Agent and any other Paying Agent as the holder of the relevant VP Note.

VP is entitled to provide the Issuer or any person authorised by the Issuer to receive such information on its behalf, including, but not limited to, the VP Issuing Agent with information about the identity of a Holder of VP Notes at a specified time following a request by the Issuer or such authorised person. Such information may include the name, address and other contact details of the Holder of the VP Notes, the date of the registration with VP, the amount of VP Notes held by such holder and any other relevant account information.

VP Notes will be issued in uncertificated and dematerialised book entry form and no global or definitive Notes will be issued in respect thereof and the Conditions shall be construed accordingly.

# 2. STATUS OF THE NOTES AND SUBORDINATION

#### 2.1 Status of the Preferred Senior Notes

This Condition 2.1 only applies to Preferred Senior Notes.

The Preferred Senior Notes and any relative Receipts and Coupons are direct, unconditional, unsubordinated and unsecured obligations of the Issuer and rank:

(i) *pari passu* without any preference among themselves;

- (ii) at least *pari passu* with all other senior unsecured obligations (other than subordinated obligations, if any) of the Issuer (save for certain obligations required to be preferred by law, including obligations benefitting from preferred ranking to the Preferred Senior Notes), from time to time outstanding as regards the right to receive periodic payments on a liquidation or bankruptcy of the Issuer and the right to receive repayment of capital on a liquidation or bankruptcy of the Issuer; and
- (ii) senior to any Non-Preferred Senior Obligations of the Issuer as regards the right to receive periodic payments on a liquidation or bankruptcy of the Issuer and the right to receive repayment of capital on a liquidation or bankruptcy of the Issuer.

# 2.2 Status of the Non-Preferred Senior Notes

This Condition 2.2 only applies to Non-Preferred Senior Notes.

The Non-Preferred Senior Notes constitute on issue Non-Preferred Senior Obligations of the Issuer.

The Non-Preferred Senior Notes and any Receipts and/or Coupons relating to them constitute direct and unsecured obligations of the Issuer and rank:

- (i) *pari passu* without any preference among themselves;
- (ii) pari passu with any other obligation or instruments of the Issuer that rank or are expressed to rank pari passu with the Non-Preferred Senior Notes (including any other Non-Preferred Senior Obligations of the Issuer), in each case as regards the right to receive periodic payments on a liquidation or bankruptcy of the Issuer and the right to receive repayment of capital on a liquidation or bankruptcy of the Issuer;
- (iii) senior to holders of the ordinary shares and any other obligations or capital instruments that rank or are expressed to rank junior to the Non-Preferred Senior Notes, or any obligations pursuant to Section 98 of the Danish Bankruptcy Act, in each case as regards the right to receive periodic payments on a liquidation or bankruptcy of the Issuer and the right to receive repayment of capital on a liquidation or bankruptcy of the Issuer; and
- (iv) junior to present or future claims of (a) depositors of the Issuer, (b) unsubordinated creditors of the Issuer pursuant to Section 97 of the Danish Bankruptcy Act and (c) any other unsubordinated creditors of the Issuer that are not creditors in respect of Non-Preferred Senior Obligations of the Issuer, in each case as regards the right to receive periodic payments on a liquidation or bankruptcy of the Issuer and the right to receive repayment of capital on a liquidation or bankruptcy of the Issuer.

### 2.3 Status of the Subordinated Notes

This Condition 2.3 only applies to Subordinated Notes. The Subordinated Notes (Da. *Kapitalbeviser*) and the Receipts and the Coupons relating to them constitute on issue Tier 2 Capital.

The Subordinated Notes and any Receipts and/or Coupons relating to them constitute direct, unconditional, unsecured and subordinated obligations of the Issuer, and rank and shall, subject to (A) the Danish implementation of Article 48(7) of the BRRD in Section 13(4) (as amended or replaced from time to time) of the Danish Recovery and Resolution Act and/or (B) Section 13(5) (as amended or replaced from time to time) of the Danish Recovery and Resolution Act and Resolution Act at all times, rank:

- (i) *pari passu* without any preference among themselves;
- (ii) pari passu with (a) any obligations or capital instruments of the Issuer which constitute Tier 2 Capital and (b) any other obligations or capital instruments of the Issuer that rank or are expressed to rank pari passu with the Subordinated Notes, in each case as regards the right to receive periodic payments on a liquidation or bankruptcy of the Issuer and the right to receive repayment of capital on a liquidation or bankruptcy of the Issuer;
- (iii) senior to (a) holders of the share capital of the Issuer, (b) any obligations or capital instruments of the Issuer which constitute Tier 1 Capital and (c) any other obligations or capital instruments of the Issuer that rank or are expressed to rank junior to the Subordinated Notes, in each case as regards the right to receive periodic payments on a liquidation or bankruptcy of the Issuer and the right to receive repayment of capital on a liquidation or bankruptcy of the Issuer; and
- (iv) junior to present or future claims of (a) depositors of the Issuer, (b) unsubordinated creditors of the Issuer (including unsubordinated creditors pursuant to Section 97 of the Danish Bankruptcy Act and unsubordinated creditors that are creditors in respect of Non-Preferred Senior Obligations) and (c) subordinated creditors of the Issuer other than the present or future claims of creditors that rank or are expressed to rank *pari passu* with or junior to the Subordinated Notes in each case as regards the right to receive periodic payments on a liquidation or bankruptcy of the Issuer and the right to receive repayment of capital on a liquidation or bankruptcy of the Issuer.

#### 2.4 No right of set-off, netting or counterclaim

No Noteholder, who shall in the event of the liquidation or bankruptcy of the Issuer be indebted to the Issuer, shall be entitled to exercise any right of set-off, netting or counterclaim against moneys owed by the Issuer in respect of the Notes held by such Noteholder.

For the purpose of these Conditions:

"**BRRD**" means the Directive (2014/59/EU) of the European Parliament and of the Council on resolution and recovery of credit institutions and investment firms dated 15 May 2014 and published in the Official Journal of the European Union on 12 June 2014 (or, as the case may be, any provision of Danish law transposing or implementing such Directive), as amended or replaced from time to time (including, for the avoidance of doubt, the amendments to such Directive resulting from Directive (EU) 2019/879 of the European Parliament and of the Council dated 20 May 2019 and published in the Official Journal of the European Union on 7 June 2019).

"CRD/CRR" means, as the context requires, any or any combination of the CRD Directive, the CRR and any CRD/CRR Implementing Measures.

"**CRD Directive**" means the Directive (2013/36/EU) of the European Parliament and of the Council on prudential requirements for credit institutions and investment firms dated 26 June 2013 and published in the Official Journal of the European Union on 27 June 2013 (or, as the case may be, any provision of Danish law transposing or implementing such Directive), as amended or replaced from time to time (including, for the avoidance of doubt, the amendments to such Directive resulting from Directive (EU) 2019/878 of the European Parliament and of the Council as regards exempted entities, financial holding companies, mixed financial holding companies, remuneration, supervisory measures and powers and capital conservation measures dated 20 May 2019 and published in the Official Journal of the European Union on 7 June 2019).

"CRD/CRR Implementing Measures" means any regulatory capital rules or regulations or other requirements, which are applicable to the Issuer, as applicable, and which prescribe (alone or in conjunction with any other rules or regulations) the requirements to be fulfilled by financial instruments for their inclusion in the regulatory capital of the Issuer (on a non-consolidated or consolidated basis) to the extent required by the CRD Directive or the CRR, including for the avoidance of doubt and without limitation any regulatory technical standards, guidelines, recommendations and/or opinions released from time to time by the European Banking Authority (or any successor or replacement thereof) or the Relevant Regulator, as the case may be.

"**CRR**" means the Regulation (2013/575) of the European Parliament and of the Council on prudential requirements for credit institutions and investment firms dated 26 June 2013 and published in the Official Journal of the European Union on 27 June 2013, as amended or replaced from time to time.

"**Danish Recovery and Resolution Act**" means the Danish Act on Recovery and Resolution of certain Financial Businesses (Act No. 24 of 4 January 2019, as amended or replaced from time to time).

"**Danish Bankruptcy Act**" means the Danish Bankruptcy Act (Consolidated Act No. 775 of 3 May 2021, as amended or replaced from time to time).

"**Non-Preferred Senior Obligations**" means any unsubordinated and unsecured liabilities of the Issuer which rank below (i) any Preferred Senior Notes issued by the Issuer and (ii) any obligations of the Issuer that rank *pari passu* with any Preferred Senior Notes upon an insolvency of the Issuer in accordance with section 13(3) of the Danish Recovery and Resolution Act.

"**Tier 1 Capital**" means capital which is treated as a constituent of tier 1 capital under the CRD/CRR and/or the requirements of the Relevant Regulator for the purposes of the Issuer.

"**Tier 2 Capital**" means capital which is treated as a constituent of Tier 2 Capital under the CRD/CRR requirements by the Relevant Regulator for the purposes of the Issuer.

## 3. **REDENOMINATION**

## 3.1 **Redenomination**

Where redenomination is specified in the applicable Final Terms as being applicable, the Issuer may, without the consent of the Noteholders, the Receiptholders and the Couponholders on giving prior notice to the Agent, Euroclear and Clearstream, Luxembourg, or the VP Issuing Agent, the VP, as applicable, and at least 30 days' prior notice to the Noteholders in accordance with Condition 13 (*Notices*), elect that, with effect from the Redenomination Date specified in the notice, the Notes shall be redenominated in euro.

The election will have effect as follows:

- (a) the Notes and the Receipts shall be deemed to be redenominated in euro in the denomination of euro 0.01 with a nominal amount for each Note and Receipt equal to the nominal amount of that Note or Receipt in the Specified Currency, converted into euro at the Established Rate, **provided that**, if the Issuer determines, with the agreement of the Agent or the VP Issuing Agent, as applicable, that the then market practice in respect of the redenomination in euro of internationally offered securities is different from the provisions specified above, such provisions shall be deemed to be amended so as to comply with such market practice and the Issuer shall promptly notify the Noteholders, the stock exchange (if any) on which the Notes may be listed and the Paying Agents of such deemed amendments;
- (b) save to the extent that an Exchange Notice has been given in accordance with paragraph (d) under, the amount of interest due in respect of the Notes will be calculated by reference to the aggregate nominal amount of Notes held (or, as the case may be, in respect of which Coupons are presented for payment) by the relevant holder and the amount of such payment shall be rounded down to the nearest euro 0.01;
- (c) if definitive Notes are required to be issued after the Redenomination Date, they shall be issued at the expense of the Issuer (i) in the case of Relevant Notes in the denomination of euro 100,000 and/or such higher amounts as the Agent or the VP Issuing Agent, as applicable, may determine and notify to the Noteholders and any remaining amounts less than euro 100,000 shall be redeemed by the Issuer and paid to the Noteholders in euro in accordance with Condition 6 (*Redemption and Purchase*); and (ii) in the case of Notes which are not Relevant Notes, in the denominations of euro 1,000, euro 10,000, euro 100,000 and (but only to the extent of any remaining amounts less than euro 1,000 or such smaller denominations as the Agent or the VP Issuing Agent, as applicable, may approve) euro 0.01 and such other denominations as the Agent or the VP Issuing Agent, as applicable, shall determine and notify to the Noteholders;
- (d) if issued prior to the Redenomination Date, all unmatured Coupons denominated in the Specified Currency (whether or not attached to the Notes) will become void with effect from the date on which the Issuer gives notice (the "Exchange Notice") that replacement euro-denominated Notes, Receipts and Coupons are available for exchange (provided that such securities are so available) and no payments will be made in respect of them. The payment obligations contained in

any Notes and Receipts so issued will also become void on that date although those Notes and Receipts will continue to constitute valid exchange obligations of the Issuer. New euro-denominated Notes, Receipts and Coupons will be issued in exchange for Notes, Receipts and Coupons denominated in the Specified Currency in such manner as the Agent or the VP Issuing Agent, as applicable, may specify and as shall be notified to the Noteholders in the Exchange Notice. No Exchange Notice may be given less than 15 days prior to any date for payment of principal or interest on the Notes;

- (e) after the Redenomination Date, all payments in respect of the Notes, the Receipts and the Coupons, other than payments of interest in respect of periods commencing before the Redenomination Date, will be made solely in euro as though references in the Notes to the Specified Currency were to euro. Payments will be made in euro by credit or transfer to a euro account (or any other account to which euro may be credited or transferred) specified by the payee or, at the option of the payee, by a euro cheque;
- (f) if the Notes are Fixed Rate Notes and interest for any period ending on or after the Redenomination Date is required to be calculated for a period ending other than on an Interest Payment Date, it will be calculated:
  - (i) in the case of the Notes represented by a Global Note, by applying the Rate of Interest to the aggregate outstanding nominal amount of the Notes represented by such Global Note; and
  - (ii) in the case of definitive Notes or VP Notes, by applying the Rate of Interest to the Calculation Amount;

and, in each case, multiplying such sum by the applicable Day Count Fraction, and rounding the resultant figure to the nearest sub-unit of the relevant Specified Currency, half of any such sub-unit being rounded upwards or otherwise in accordance with applicable market convention. Where the Specified Denomination of a Fixed Rate Note in definitive form is a multiple of the Calculation Amount, the amount of interest payable in respect of such Fixed Rate Note shall be the product of the amount (determined in the manner provided above) for the Calculation Amount and the amount by which the Calculation Amount is multiplied to reach the Specified Denomination, without any further rounding;

- (g) if the Notes are Floating Rate Notes, the applicable Final Terms will specify any relevant changes to the provisions relating to interest; and
- (h) such other changes shall be made to this Condition 3 as the Issuer may decide, after consultation with the Agent or the VP Issuing Agent, as applicable, and as may be specified in the notice, to conform it to conventions then applicable to instruments denominated in euro.

#### 3.2 **Definitions**

In the Conditions, the following expressions have the following meanings:

"Calculation Amount" is the amount to be determined by the Issuer for the purpose of calculating the amount of interest payable per Specified Denomination.

"Established Rate" means the rate for the conversion of the Specified Currency (including compliance with rules relating to roundings in accordance with applicable European Union regulations) into euro established by the Council of the European Union pursuant to Article 140 of the Treaty;

"euro" means the currency introduced at the start of the third stage of European economic and monetary union pursuant to the Treaty;

"**Redenomination Date**" means (in the case of interest bearing Notes) any date for payment of interest under the Notes or (in the case of Zero Coupon Notes) any date, in each case specified by the Issuer in the notice given to the Noteholders pursuant to Condition 3.1 (*Redenomination*) above and which falls on or after the date on which the country of the Specified Currency first participates in the third stage of European economic and monetary union;

"**Relevant Notes**" means all Notes where the applicable Final Terms provide for a minimum Specified Denomination in the Specified Currency which is equivalent to at least euro 100,000 and which are admitted to trading on a regulated market in the European Economic Area; and

"Treaty" means the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union, as amended.

## 4. INTEREST

#### 4.1 **Interest on Fixed Rate Notes**

Notes with a fixed interest rate ("**Fixed Rate Notes**") bear interest from (and including) the Interest Commencement Date at the rate(s) per annum equal to the Rate(s) of Interest specified in the final terms. Interest will be payable in arrear on the Interest Payment Date(s) in each year up to (and excluding) the Maturity Date.

If the Notes are in definitive form, except as provided in the applicable Final Terms, the amount of interest payable on each Interest Payment Date in respect of the Fixed Interest Period ending on (but excluding) such date will amount to the Fixed Coupon Amount. Payments of interest on any Interest Payment Date will, if so specified in the applicable Final Terms, amount to the Broken Amount so specified.

As used in the Conditions, "**Fixed Interest Period**" means the period from (and including) an Interest Payment Date (or the Interest Commencement Date) to (but excluding) the next (or first) Interest Payment Date.

Except in the case of Notes in definitive form where an applicable Fixed Coupon Amount or Broken Amount is specified in the applicable Final Terms, interest shall be calculated in respect of any period by applying the Rate of Interest to:

(A) in the case of Fixed Rate Notes which are represented by a Global Note, the aggregate outstanding nominal amount of the Fixed Rate Notes represented by such Global Note; or

(B) in the case of Fixed Rate Notes which are (I) in definitive form or (II) VP Notes, the Calculation Amount;

and, in each case, multiplying such sum by the applicable Day Count Fraction, and rounding the resultant figure to the nearest sub-unit of the relevant Specified Currency, half of any such sub-unit being rounded upwards or otherwise in accordance with applicable market convention. Where the Specified Denomination of a Fixed Rate Note in definitive form or of a Fixed Rate Note which is a VP Note is a multiple of the Calculation Amount, the amount of interest payable in respect of such Fixed Rate Note shall be the product of the amount (determined in the manner provided above) for the Calculation Amount and the amount by which the Calculation Amount is multiplied to reach the Specified Denomination, without any further rounding.

"Day Count Fraction" means, in respect of the calculation of an amount of interest in accordance with this Condition 4.1:

- (a) if "Actual/Actual (ICMA)" is specified in the applicable Final Terms:
  - (i) in the case of Notes where the number of days in the relevant period from (and including) the most recent Interest Payment Date (or, if none, the Interest Commencement Date) to (but excluding) the relevant payment date (the "Accrual Period") is equal to or shorter than the Determination Period during which the Accrual Period ends, the number of days in such Accrual Period divided by the product of (I) the number of days in such Determination Period and (II) the number of Determination Dates (as specified in the applicable Final Terms) that would occur in one calendar year; or
  - (ii) in the case of Notes where the Accrual Period is longer than the Determination Period during which the Accrual Period ends, the sum of:
    - (A) the number of days in such Accrual Period falling in the Determination Period in which the Accrual Period begins divided by the product of (x) the number of days in such Determination Period and (y) the number of Determination Dates that would occur in one calendar year; and
    - (B) the number of days in such Accrual Period falling in the next Determination Period divided by the product of (x) the number of days in such Determination Period and (y) the number of Determination Dates that would occur in one calendar year; and
- (b) if "30/360" is specified in the applicable Final Terms, the number of days in the period from (and including) the most recent Interest Payment Date (or, if none, the Interest Commencement Date) to (but excluding) the relevant payment date (such number of days being calculated on the basis of a year of 360 days with 12 30-day months) divided by 360.

In the Conditions:

"Broken Amount(s)" shall be as specified in the relevant Final Terms;

"Determination Date" shall be as specified in the relevant Final Terms;

"**Determination Period**" means each period from (and including) a Determination Date to (but excluding) the next Determination Date (including, where either the Interest Commencement Date or the final Interest Payment Date is not a Determination Date, the period commencing on the first Determination Date prior to, and ending on the first Determination Date falling after, such date);

"Interest Commencement Date" means the Issue Date of the Notes or such other date as may be specified as the Interest Commencement Date in the relevant Final Terms;

"Interest Payment Date" means the First Interest Payment Date and any other date or dates specified as such in, or determined in accordance with the provisions of, the relevant Final Terms and, if a Business Day Convention is specified in the relevant Final Terms:

- (a) as the same may be adjusted in accordance with the relevant Business Day Convention; or
- (b) if the Business Day Convention is the FRN Convention, Floating Rate Convention or Eurodollar Convention and an interval of a number of calendar months is specified in the relevant Final Terms as being the Specified Period, each of such dates as may occur in accordance with the FRN Convention, Floating Rate Convention or Eurodollar Convention at such Specified Period of calendar months following the Interest Commencement Date (in the case of the first Interest Payment Date) or the previous Interest Payment Date (in any other case);

"Maturity Date" has the meaning as specified in the relevant Final Terms;

"Specified Currency" means the currency specified in the relevant Final Terms;

"**Specified Denomination**" means the denomination(s) specified in the relevant Final Terms; and

"**sub-unit**" means, with respect to any currency other than euro, the lowest amount of such currency that is available as legal tender in the country of such currency and, with respect to euro, one cent.

#### 4.2 Interest on Floating Rate Notes

(a) *Application* 

This Condition 4.2 is applicable to the Notes only if the Floating Rate Note Provisions are specified in the relevant Final Terms as being applicable.

(b) Accrual of interest

The Notes bear interest from (and including) the Interest Commencement Date at the Rate of Interest payable in arrear on each Interest Payment Date, subject as provided in Condition 5 (*Payments*) as applicable. Each Note will cease to bear interest from the due date for final redemption unless, upon due presentation, payment of the Redemption Amount is improperly withheld or refused, in which case it will continue to bear interest in accordance with this Condition (both before and after judgment) until whichever is the earlier of (i) the day on which all sums due in respect of such Note up to that day are received by or on behalf of the relevant Noteholder and (ii) the day which is seven days after the Issuing and Principal Paying Agent has notified the Noteholders that it has received all sums due in respect of the Notes up to such seventh day (except to the extent that there is any subsequent default in payment).

(c) *Screen Rate Determination*:

If Screen Rate Determination is specified in the relevant Final Terms as the manner in which the Rate(s) of Interest is/are to be determined, the Rate of Interest applicable to the Notes for each Interest Period will be (other than in respect of Notes for which SONIA, SOFR and/or €STR or any related index is specified as the Reference Rate in the relevant Final Terms) determined by the Calculation Agent on the following basis:

- (i) if the Reference Rate is a composite quotation or customarily supplied by one entity, the Calculation Agent will determine the Reference Rate which appears on the Relevant Screen Page as of the Relevant Time on the relevant Interest Determination Date;
- (ii) if Linear Interpolation is specified as applicable in respect of an Interest Period in the applicable Final Terms, the Rate of Interest for such Interest Period shall be calculated by the Calculation Agent by straight-line linear interpolation by reference to two rates which appear on the Relevant Screen Page as of the Relevant Time on the relevant Interest Determination Date, where:
  - (A) one rate shall be determined as if the relevant Interest Period were the period of time for which rates are available next shorter than the length of the relevant Interest Period; and
  - (B) the other rate shall be determined as if the relevant Interest Period were the period of time for which rates are available next longer than the length of the relevant Interest Period;

*provided, however, that* if no rate is available for a period of time next shorter or, as the case may be, next longer than the length of the relevant Interest Period, then the Calculation Agent shall calculate the Rate of Interest at such time and by reference to such sources as the Issuer, in consultation with an Independent Adviser appointed by the Issuer, and such Independent Adviser acting in good faith and in a commercially reasonable manner;

(iii) in any other case, the Calculation Agent will determine the arithmetic mean of the Reference Rates which appear on the Relevant Screen Page as of the Relevant Time on the relevant Interest Determination Date;

- (iv) if, in the case of (i) above, such rate does not appear on that page or, in the case of (iii) above, fewer than two such rates appear on that page or if, in either case, the Relevant Screen Page is unavailable, the Issuer will:
  - (A) request the principal Relevant Financial Centre office of each of the Reference Banks to provide a quotation of the Reference Rate at approximately the Relevant Time on the Interest Determination Date to prime banks in the Relevant Financial Centre interbank market in an amount that is representative for a single transaction in that market at that time; and
  - (B) provide such quotations to the Calculation Agent who shall determine the arithmetic mean of such quotations; and
- (v) if fewer than two such quotations are provided as requested, the Calculation Agent will determine the arithmetic mean of the rates (being the nearest to the Reference Rate, as determined by the Calculation Agent) quoted by major banks in the Principal Financial Centre of the Specified Currency, requested and selected by the Issuer, at approximately 11.00 a.m. (local time in the Principal Financial Centre of the Specified Currency) on the first day of the relevant Interest Period for loans in the Specified Currency to leading European banks for a period equal to the relevant Interest Period and in an amount that is representative for a single transaction in that market at that time,

and the Rate of Interest for such Interest Period shall be the sum of the Margin and the rate or (as the case may be) the arithmetic mean so determined; **provided**, **however**, **that** if the Calculation Agent is unable to determine a rate or (as the case may be) an arithmetic mean in accordance with the above provisions in relation to any Interest Period, the Rate of Interest applicable to the Notes during such Interest Period will be the sum of the Margin and the rate or (as the case may be) the arithmetic mean last determined in relation to the Notes in respect of a preceding Interest Period.

#### (d) *ISDA Determination*

If ISDA Determination is specified in the relevant Final Terms as the manner in which the Rate(s) of Interest is/are to be determined, the Rate of Interest applicable to the Notes for each Interest Period will be the sum of the Margin and the relevant ISDA Rate where "ISDA Rate" in relation to any Interest Period means a rate equal to the Floating Rate (as defined in the ISDA Definitions) that would be determined by the Calculation Agent under an interest rate swap transaction if the Calculation Agent were acting as Calculation Agent for that interest rate swap transaction under the terms of an agreement incorporating the ISDA Definitions and under which:

- (i) if the Final Terms specify either "2006 ISDA Definitions" or "2021 ISDA Definitions" as the applicable ISDA Definitions:
  - (A) the Floating Rate Option (as defined in the ISDA Definitions) is as specified in the relevant Final Terms;

- (B) the Designated Maturity (as defined in the ISDA Definitions), if applicable, is a period specified in the relevant Final Terms;
- (C) the relevant Reset Date (as defined in the ISDA Definitions), unless otherwise specified in the relevant Final Terms, has the meaning given to it in the ISDA Definitions;
- (D) if Linear Interpolation is specified as applicable in respect of an Interest Period in the applicable Final Terms, the rate for such Interest Period shall be calculated by the Calculation Agent by straight-line linear interpolation by reference to two rates based on the relevant Floating Rate Option, where:
  - (1) one rate shall be determined as if the Designated Maturity were the period of time for which rates are available next shorter than the length of the relevant Interest Period; and
  - (2) the other rate shall be determined as if the Designated Maturity were the period of time for which rates are available next longer than the length of the relevant Interest Period,

*provided, however, that* if there is no rate available for a period of time next shorter than the length of the relevant Interest Period or, as the case may be, next longer than the length of the relevant Interest Period, then the Calculation Agent shall calculate the Rate of Interest at such time and by reference to such sources as the Issuer, in consultation with an Independent Adviser appointed by the Issuer, and such Independent Adviser acting in good faith and in a commercially reasonable manner, determines appropriate;

- (E) if the specified Floating Rate Option is an Overnight Floating Rate Option (as defined in the ISDA Definitions), Compounding is specified to be applicable in the relevant Final Terms and:
  - if Compounding with Lookback is specified as the Compounding Method in the relevant Final Terms then (a) Compounding with Lookback is the Overnight Rate Compounding Method and (b) Lookback is the number of Applicable Business Days (as defined in the ISDA Definitions) specified in the relevant Final Terms;
  - (2) if Compounding with Observation Period Shift is specified as the Compounding Method in the relevant Final Terms then (a) Compounding with Observation Period Shift is the Overnight Rate Compounding Method, (b) Observation Period Shift is the number of Observation Period Shift Business Days (as defined in the ISDA Definitions) specified in the relevant Final Terms and (c) Observation Period Shift Additional Business Days (as defined in the

ISDA Definitions), if applicable, are the days specified in the relevant Final Terms; or

- (3) if Compounding with Lockout is specified as the Compounding Method in the relevant Final Terms then (a) Compounding with Lockout is the Overnight Rate Compounding Method, (b) Lockout is the number of Lockout Period Business Days (as defined in the ISDA Definitions) specified in the relevant Final Terms and (c) Lockout Period Business Days, if applicable, are the days specified in the relevant Final Terms;
- (F) if the specified Floating Rate Option is an Overnight Floating Rate Option (as defined in the ISDA Definitions), Averaging is specified to be applicable in the relevant Final Terms and:
  - if Averaging with Lookback is specified as the Averaging Method in the relevant Final Terms then (a) Averaging with Lookback is the Overnight Rate Averaging Method and (b) Lookback is the number of Applicable Business Days (as defined in the ISDA Definitions) specified in relevant Final Terms;
  - (2) if Averaging with Observation Period Shift is specified as the Averaging Method in the relevant Final Terms then (a) Averaging with Overnight Period Shift is the Overnight Rate Averaging Method, (b) Observation Period Shift is the number of Observation Period Shift Business Days (as defined in the ISDA Definitions) specified in the relevant Final Terms and (c) Observation Period Shift Additional Business Days (as defined in the ISDA Definitions), if applicable, are the days specified in the relevant Final Terms; or
  - (3) if Averaging with Lockout is specified as the Averaging Method in the relevant Final Terms then (a) Averaging with Lockout is the Overnight Rate Averaging Method, (b) Lockout is the number of Lockout Period Business Days (as defined in the ISDA Definitions) specified in the relevant Final Terms and (c) Lockout Period Business Days, if applicable, are the days specified in the relevant Final Terms; and
- (G) if the specified Floating Rate Option is an Index Floating Rate Option (as defined in the ISDA Definitions) and Index Provisions are specified to be applicable in the relevant Final Terms, the Compounded Index Method with Observation Period Shift (as defined in the ISDA Definitions) shall be applicable and, (a) Observation Period Shift is the number of Observation Period Shift Business Days (as defined in the ISDA Definitions) specified in the relevant Final Terms and (b) Observation Period Shift

Additional Business Days, if applicable, are the days specified in the relevant Final Terms;

- (ii) references in the ISDA Definitions to:
  - (A) "**Confirmation**" shall be references to the relevant Final Terms;
  - (B) "Calculation Period" shall be references to the relevant Interest Period;
  - (C) "**Termination Date**" shall be references to the Maturity Date;
  - (D) "Effective Date" shall be references to the Interest Commencement Date; and
- (iii) if the Final Terms specify "2021 ISDA Definitions" as being applicable:
  - (A) "Administrator/Benchmark Event" shall be disapplied; and
  - (B) if the Temporary Non-Publication Fallback in respect of any specified Floating Rate Option is specified to be "Temporary Non-Publication Fallback – Alternative Rate" in the Floating Rate Matrix of the 2021 ISDA Definitions the reference to "Calculation Agent Alternative Rate Determination" in the definition of "Temporary Non-Publication Fallback – Alternative Rate" shall be replaced by "Temporary Non-Publication Fallback – Previous Day's Rate".
- (e) Interest Floating Rate Notes referencing SONIA (Screen Rate Determination)
  - (i) This Condition 4.2(e) is applicable to the Notes only if the Floating Rate Note Provisions are specified in the relevant Final Terms as being applicable, Screen Rate Determination is specified in the relevant Final Terms as the manner in which the Rate(s) of Interest is/are to be determined, and the "Reference Rate" is specified in the relevant Final Terms as being "SONIA".
  - (ii) Where "SONIA" is specified as the Reference Rate in the Final Terms, the Rate of Interest for each Interest Period will, subject as provided below, be Compounded Daily SONIA plus or minus (as specified in the relevant Final Terms) the Margin, all as determined by the Calculation Agent.
  - (iii) For the purposes of this Condition 4.2(e):

"**Compounded Daily SONIA**", with respect to an Interest Period, will be calculated by the Calculation Agent on each Interest Determination Date in accordance with the following formula, and the resulting percentage will be rounded, if necessary, to the fourth decimal place, with 0.00005 being rounded upwards:

$$\left[\prod_{i=1}^{d_o} \left(1 + \frac{SONIA_i \ge n_i}{365}\right) - 1\right] \times \frac{365}{d}$$

"d" means the number of calendar days in:

- (A) where "Lag" is specified as the Observation Method in the relevant Final Terms, the relevant Interest Period; or
- (B) where "Observation Shift" is specified as the Observation Method in the relevant Final Terms, the relevant Observation Period;

"d<sub>0</sub>" means the number of London Banking Days in:

- (A) where "Lag" is specified as the Observation Method in the relevant Final Terms, the relevant Interest Period; or
- (B) where "Observation Shift" is specified as the Observation Method in the relevant Final Terms, the relevant Observation Period;

"i" means a series of whole numbers from one to do, each representing the relevant London Banking Day in chronological order from, and including, the first London Banking Day in:

- (A) where "Lag" is specified as the Observation Method in the relevant Final Terms, the relevant Interest Period; or
- (B) where "Observation Shift" is specified as the Observation Method in the relevant Final Terms, the relevant Observation Period;

to, and including, the last London Banking Day in such period;

"Interest Determination Date" means, in respect of any Interest Period, the date falling "p" London Banking Days prior to the Interest Payment Date for such Interest Period (or the date falling p London Banking Days prior to such earlier date, if any, on which the Notes are due and payable).

"London Banking Day" or "LBD" means any day on which commercial banks are open for general business (including dealing in foreign exchange and foreign currency deposits) in London;

"**ni**" for any London Banking Day "i", in the relevant Interest Period or Observation Period (as applicable) is the number of calendar days from, and including, such London Banking Day "i" up to, but excluding, the following London Banking Day;

"Observation Period" means, in respect of an Interest Period, the period from, and including, the date falling "p" London Banking Days prior to the first day of such Interest Period (and the first Interest Period shall begin on and include the Interest Commencement Date) and ending on, but excluding, the date which is "p" London Banking Days prior to the Interest Payment Date for such Interest Period (or the date falling "p" London Banking Days prior to such earlier date, if any, on which the Notes become due and payable);

"**p**" for any Interest Period or Observation Period (as applicable), means the number of London Banking Days specified as the "Lag Period" or the "Observation Shift Period" (as applicable) in the relevant Final Terms or if no such period is specified, five London Banking Days;

"SONIA Reference Rate" means, in respect of any London Banking Day, a reference rate equal to the daily Sterling Overnight Index Average ("SONIA") rate for such London Banking Day as provided by the administrator of SONIA to authorised distributors and as then published on the Relevant Screen Page (or if the Relevant Screen Page is unavailable, as otherwise is published by such authorised distributors) on the London Banking Day immediately following such London Banking Day; and

"SONIAi" means the SONIA Reference Rate for:

- (A) where "Lag" is specified as the Observation Method in the relevant Final Terms, the London Banking Day falling "p" London Banking Days prior to the relevant London Banking Day "i"; or
- (B) where "Observation Shift" is specified as the Observation Method in the relevant Final Terms, the relevant London Banking Day "i";

For the avoidance of doubt, the formula for the calculation of Compounded Daily SONIA only compounds the SONIA Reference Rate in respect of any London Banking Day. The SONIA Reference Rate applied to a day that is a non-London Banking Day will be taken by applying the SONIA Reference Rate for the previous London Banking Day but without compounding.

- (iv) If, in respect of any London Banking Day in the relevant Interest Period or Observation Period (as applicable), the Calculation Bank determines that the SONIA Reference Rate is not available on the Relevant Screen Page and has not otherwise been published by the relevant authorised distributors, such SONIA Reference Rate shall, subject to Condition 4.2(n) (Benchmark Replacement (Independent Adviser)), be:
  - (A) the sum of (a) the Bank of England's Bank Rate (the "Bank Rate") prevailing at close of business on the relevant London Banking Day; and (b) the mean of the spread of the SONIA Reference Rate to the Bank Rate over the previous five London Banking Days on which a SONIA Reference Rate has been published, excluding the highest spread (or, if there is more than one highest spread, one only of those highest spreads) and lowest spread (or, if there is more than one lowest spread, one only of those lowest spreads) to the Bank Rate; or

- (B) if the Bank Rate is not published by the Bank of England at close of business on the relevant London Banking Day, (a) the SONIA Reference Rate published on the Relevant Screen Page (or otherwise published by the relevant authorised distributors) for the first preceding London Banking Day on which the SONIA Reference Rate was published on the Relevant Screen Page (or otherwise published by the relevant authorised distributors) or (b) if this is more recent, the latest determined rate under (A).
- (v) Subject to Condition 4.2(n) (Benchmark Replacement (Independent Adviser)), if the Rate of Interest cannot be determined in accordance with the foregoing provisions of this Condition 4.2(e), the Rate of Interest shall be (A) that determined as at the last preceding Interest Determination Date (though substituting, where a different Margin is to be applied to the relevant Interest Period from that which applied to the last preceding Interest Period, the Margin relating to the relevant Interest Period, in place of the Margin relating to that last preceding Interest Period) or (B) if there is no such preceding Interest Determination Date, the initial Rate of Interest which would have been applicable to the Notes for the first Interest Period had the Notes been in issue for a period equal in duration to the scheduled first Interest Period but ending on (and excluding) the Interest Period).

## (f) Interest – Floating Rate Notes referencing SOFR (Screen Rate Determination)

- (i) This Condition 4.2(f) is applicable to the Notes only if the Floating Rate Note Provisions are specified in the relevant Final Terms as being applicable, Screen Rate Determination is specified in the relevant Final Terms as the manner in which the Rate(s) of Interest is/are to be determined, and the "Reference Rate" is specified in the relevant Final Terms as being "SOFR".
- (ii) Where "SOFR" is specified as the Reference Rate in the Final Terms, the Rate of Interest for each Interest Period will, subject as provided below, be the Benchmark plus or minus (as specified in the relevant Final Terms) the Margin, all as determined by the Calculation Agent on each Interest Determination Date.
- (iii) For the purposes of this Condition 4.2(f):

"**Benchmark**" means Compounded SOFR, which is a compounded average of daily SOFR, as determined for each Interest Period in accordance with the specific formula and other provisions set out in this Condition 4.2(f).

Daily SOFR rates will not be published in respect of any day that is not a U.S. Government Securities Business Day, such as a Saturday, Sunday or holiday. For this reason, in determining Compounded SOFR in accordance with the specific formula and other provisions set forth herein, the daily SOFR rate for any U.S. Government Securities Business

Day that immediately precedes one or more days that are not U.S. Government Securities Business Days will be multiplied by the number of calendar days from and including such U.S. Government Securities Business Day to, but excluding, the following U.S. Government Securities Business Day.

If the Issuer determines that a Benchmark Transition Event and its related Benchmark Replacement Date have occurred in respect of Compounded SOFR (or the daily SOFR used in the calculation hereof) prior to the relevant SOFR Determination Time, then the provisions under Condition 4.2(f)(iv) below will apply.

"**Business Day**" means any weekday that is a U.S. Government Securities Business Day and is not a legal holiday in New York and each (if any) Additional Business Centre(s) and is not a date on which banking institutions in those cities are authorised or required by law or regulation to be closed;

"**Compounded SOFR**" with respect to any Interest Period, means the rate of return of a daily compound interest investment computed in accordance with the following formula (and the resulting percentage will be rounded, if necessary, to the nearest one hundred-thousandth of a percentage point, with 0.000005 being rounded upwards to 0.00001):

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

"d" is the number of calendar days in:

- (A) where "Lag" is specified as the Observation Method in the relevant Final Terms, the relevant Interest Period; or
- (B) where "Observation Shift" is specified as the Observation Method in the relevant Final Terms, the relevant Observation Period.

"d<sub>0</sub>" is the number of U.S. Government Securities Business Days in:

- (A) where "Lag" is specified as the Observation Method in the relevant Final Terms, the relevant Interest Period; or
- (B) where "Observation Shift" is specified as the Observation Method in the relevant Final Terms, the relevant Observation Period.

"i" is a series of whole numbers from one to do, each representing the relevant U.S. Government Securities Business Day in chronological order from, and including, the first U.S. Government Securities Business Day in:

- (A) where "Lag" is specified as the Observation Method in the relevant Final Terms, the relevant Interest Period; or
- (B) where "Observation Shift" is specified as the Observation Method in the relevant Final Terms, the relevant Observation Period,

to and including the last US Government Securities Business Day in such period;

"Interest Determination Date" means, in respect of any Interest Period, the date falling "p" U.S. Government Securities Business Days prior to the Interest Payment Date for such Interest Period (or the date falling "p" U.S. Government Securities Business Days prior to such earlier date, if any, on which the Notes are due and payable);

"**ni**" for any U.S. Government Securities Business Day "i" in the relevant Interest Period or Observation Period (as applicable), is the number of calendar days from, and including, such U.S. Government Securities Business Day "i" to, but excluding, the following U.S. Government Securities Business Day ("**i**+1");

"Observation Period" in respect of an Interest Period means the period from, and including, the date falling "p" U.S. Government Securities Business Days preceding the first day in such Interest Period (and the first Interest Period shall begin on and include the Interest Commencement Date) to, but excluding, the date falling "p" U.S. Government Securities Business Days preceding the Interest Payment Date for such Interest Period (or the date falling "p" U.S. Government Securities Business Days prior to such earlier date, if any, on which the Notes become due and payable);

"**p**" for any Interest Period or Observation Period (as applicable) means the number of U.S. Government Securities Business Days specified as the "Lag Period" or the "Observation Shift Period" (as applicable) in the relevant Final Terms or if no such period is specified, five U.S. Government Securities Business Days;

"**SOFR**" with respect to any U.S. Government Securities Business Day, means:

- (A) the Secured Overnight Financing Rate published for such U.S. Government Securities Business Day as such rate appears on the SOFR Administrator's Website at 3:00 p.m. (New York time) on the immediately following U.S. Government Securities Business Day (the "SOFR Determination Time"); or
- (B) Subject to Condition 4.2(f)(iv) below, if the rate specified in (i) above does not so appear, the Secured Overnight Financing Rate as published in respect of the first preceding U.S. Government Securities Business Day for which the Secured Overnight

Financing Rate was published on the SOFR Administrator's Website;

"**SOFR Administrator**" means the Federal Reserve Bank of New York (or a successor administrator of the Secured Overnight Financing Rate);

"SOFR Administrator's Website" means the website of the Federal Reserve Bank of New York, or any successor source;

"**SOFRi**" means the SOFR for:

- (A) where "Lag" is specified as the Observation Method in the applicable Final Terms, the U.S. Government Securities Business Day falling "p" U.S. Government Securities Business Days prior to the relevant U.S. Government Securities Business Day "i"; or
- (B) where "Observation Shift" is specified as the Observation Method in the relevant Final Terms, the relevant U.S. Government Securities Business Day "i"; and

"U.S. Government Securities Business Day" means any day except for a Saturday, a Sunday or a day on which the Securities Industry and Financial Markets Association recommends that the fixed income departments of its members be closed for the entire day for purposes of trading in U.S. government securities.

(iv) If the Issuer determines on or prior to the relevant Reference Time that a Benchmark Transition Event and its related Benchmark Replacement Date have occurred with respect to the then-current Benchmark, the Benchmark Replacement will replace the then-current Benchmark for all purposes relating to the Notes in respect of all determinations on such date and for all determinations on all subsequent dates. In connection with the implementation of a Benchmark Replacement, the Issuer will have the right to make Benchmark Replacement Conforming Changes from time to time, without any requirement for the consent or approval of the Noteholders.

Any determination, decision or election that may be made by the Issuer pursuant to this section, including any determination with respect to a tenor, rate or adjustment or of the occurrence or non-occurrence of an event, circumstance or date and any decision to take or refrain from taking any action or any selection:

- (A) will be conclusive and binding absent manifest error;
- (B) will be made in the sole discretion of the Issuer; and
- (C) notwithstanding anything to the contrary in the documentation relating to the Notes, shall become effective without consent from the holders of the Notes or any other party.

"**Benchmark**" means, initially, Compounded SOFR, as such term is defined above; provided that if the Issuer determines on or prior to the Reference Time that a Benchmark Transition Event and its related Benchmark Replacement Date have occurred with respect to Compounded SOFR (or the published daily SOFR used in the calculation thereof) or the then-current Benchmark, then "Benchmark" shall mean the applicable Benchmark Replacement.

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

- (A) the sum of: (A) the alternate rate of interest that has been selected or recommended by the Relevant Governmental Body as the replacement for the then-current Benchmark and (B) the Benchmark Replacement Adjustment;
- (B) the sum of: (A) the ISDA Fallback Rate and (B) the Benchmark Replacement Adjustment; or
- (C) the sum of: (A) the alternate rate of interest that has been selected by the Issuer as the replacement for the then-current Benchmark giving due consideration to any industry-accepted rate of interest as a replacement for the then-current Benchmark for U.S. dollardenominated floating rate notes at such time and (B) the Benchmark Replacement Adjustment;

"Benchmark Replacement Adjustment" means the first alternative set forth in the order below that can be determined by the issuer or its designee as of the Benchmark Replacement Date:

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

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

"Benchmark Replacement Date" means the earliest to occur of the following events with respect to the then-current Benchmark (including the daily published component used in the calculation thereof):

- (A) in the case of clause (A) or (B) of the definition of "Benchmark Transition Event," the later of (a) the date of the public statement or publication of information referenced therein and (b) the date on which the administrator of the Benchmark permanently or indefinitely ceases to provide the Benchmark (or such component); or
- (B) in the case of clause (iii) of the definition of "Benchmark Transition Event," the date of the public statement or publication of information referenced therein.

For the avoidance of doubt, if the event that gives rise to the Benchmark Replacement Date occurs on the same day as, but earlier than, the Reference Time in respect of any determination, the Benchmark Replacement Date will be deemed to have occurred prior to the Reference Time for such determination;

"**Benchmark Transition Event**" means the occurrence of one or more of the following events with respect to the then-current Benchmark (including the daily published component used in the calculation thereof):

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

for the Benchmark, which states that the administrator of the Benchmark (or such component) has ceased or will cease to provide the Benchmark (or such component) permanently or indefinitely, provided that, at the time of such statement or publication, there is no successor administrator that will continue to provide the Benchmark (or such component); or

(C) a public statement or publication of information by the regulatory supervisor for the administrator of the Benchmark announcing that the Benchmark is no longer representative;

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

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

"**Reference Time**" with respect to any determination of the Benchmark means (i) if the Benchmark is Compounded SOFR, the SOFR Determination Time, and (ii) if the Benchmark is not Compounded SOFR, the time determined by the Issuer after giving effect to the Benchmark Replacement Conforming Changes;

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

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

(v) Any Benchmark Replacement, Benchmark Replacement Adjustment and the specific terms of any Benchmark Replacement Conforming Changes, determined under Condition 4.2(f)(iv) above will be notified promptly by the Issuer to the Issuing and Principal Paying Agent, the Calculation Agent, the Paying Agents and, in accordance with Condition 13 (*Notices*), the Noteholders. Such notice shall be irrevocable and shall specify the effective date on which such changes take effect.

No later than notifying the Issuing and Principal Paying Agent of the same, the Issuer shall deliver to the Issuing and Principal Paying Agent a certificate signed by two authorised signatories of the Issuer:

(A) confirming (x) that a Benchmark Transition Event has occurred,
(y) the relevant Benchmark Replacement and, (z) where applicable, any Benchmark Replacement Adjustment and/or the specific terms of any relevant Benchmark Replacement

Conforming Changes, in each case as determined in accordance with the provisions of this Condition 4.2(f); and

- (B) certifying that the relevant Benchmark Replacement Conforming Changes are necessary to ensure the proper operation of such Benchmark Replacement and/or Benchmark Replacement Adjustment.
- (vi) If the Rate of Interest cannot be determined in accordance with the foregoing provisions of this Condition 4.2(f), the Rate of Interest shall be (A) that determined as at the last preceding Interest Determination Date (though substituting, where a different Margin is to be applied to the relevant Interest Period from that which applied to the last preceding Interest Period, the Margin relating to the relevant Interest Period, in place of the Margin relating to that last preceding Interest Period) or (B) if there is no such preceding Interest Determination Date, the initial Rate of Interest which would have been applicable to the Notes for the first Interest Period had the Notes been in issue for a period equal in duration to the scheduled first Interest Period but ending on (and excluding) the Interest Commencement Date (but applying the Margin applicable to the first Interest Period).
- (g) Interest Floating Rate Notes referencing €STR (Screen Rate Determination)
  - (i) This Condition 4.2(g) is applicable to the Notes only if the Floating Rate Note Provisions are specified in the relevant Final Terms as being applicable, Screen Rate Determination is specified in the relevant Final Terms as the manner in which the Rate(s) of Interest is/are to be determined, and the "Reference Rate" is specified in the relevant Final Terms as being "€STR".
  - (ii) Where "€STR" is specified as the Reference Rate in the Final Terms, the Rate of Interest for each Interest Period will, subject as provided below, be Compounded Daily €STR plus or minus (as specified in the relevant Final Terms) the Margin, all as determined by the Calculation Agent on each Interest Determination Date.
  - (iii) For the purposes of this Condition 4.2(g):

"Compounded Daily €STR" means, with respect to any Interest Period, the rate of return of a daily compound interest investment (with the daily euro short-term rate as reference rate for the calculation of interest) as calculated by the Calculation Agent as at the relevant Interest Determination Date in accordance with the following formula (and the resulting percentage will be rounded if necessary to the nearest fifth decimal place, with 0.000005 being rounded upwards):

$$\left[\prod_{i=1}^{d_o} \left(1 + \frac{\in \text{STR}_i \times n_i}{D}\right) - 1\right] \times \frac{D}{d}$$

where:

"d" means the number of calendar days in:

- (A) where "Lag" is specified as the Observation Method in the relevant Final Terms, the relevant Interest Period; or
- (B) where "Observation Shift" is specified as the Observation Method in the relevant Final Terms, the relevant Observation Period;

"D" means the number specified as such in the relevant Final Terms (or, if no such number is specified, 360);

"d<sub>0</sub>" means the number of TARGET Settlement Days in:

- (A) where "Lag" is specified as the Observation Method in the relevant Final Terms, the relevant Interest Period; or
- (B) where "Observation Shift" is specified as the Observation Method in the relevant Final Terms, the relevant Observation Period;

the " $\in$ **STR reference rate**", in respect of any TARGET Settlement Day, is a reference rate equal to the daily euro short-term rate (" $\in$ **STR**") for such TARGET Settlement Day as provided by the European Central Bank as the administrator of  $\in$ STR (or any successor administrator of such rate) on the website of the European Central Bank (or, if no longer published on its website, as otherwise published by it or provided by it to authorised distributors and as then published on the Relevant Screen Page or, if the Relevant Screen Page is unavailable, as otherwise published by such authorised distributors) on the TARGET Settlement Day immediately following such TARGET Settlement Day (in each case, at the time specified by, or determined in accordance with, the applicable methodology, policies or guidelines, of the European Central Bank or the successor administrator of such rate);

"€STRi" means the €STR reference rate for:

- (A) where "Lag" is specified as the Observation Method in the relevant Final Terms, the TARGET Settlement Day falling "p" TARGET Settlement Days prior to the relevant TARGET Settlement Day "i"; or
- (B) where "Observation Shift" is specified as the Observation Method in the relevant Final Terms, the relevant TARGET Settlement Day "i".

"i" is a series of whole numbers from one to "do", each representing the relevant TARGET Settlement Day in chronological order from, and including, the first TARGET Settlement Day in:

- (A) where "Lag" is specified as the Observation Method in the relevant Final Terms, the relevant Interest Period; or
- (B) where "Observation Shift" is specified as the Observation Method in the relevant Final Terms, the relevant Observation Period;

to, and including, the last TARGET Settlement Day in such period;

"Interest Determination Date" means, in respect of any Interest Period, the date falling "p" TARGET Settlement Days prior to the Interest Payment Date for such Interest Period (or the date falling "p" TARGET Settlement Days prior to such earlier date, if any, on which the Notes are due and payable);

"**n**<sub>i</sub>" for any TARGET Settlement Day "i" in the relevant Interest Period or Observation Period (as applicable), means the number of calendar days from (and including) such TARGET Settlement Day "i" up to (but excluding) the following TARGET Settlement Day;

"Observation Period" means, in respect of any Interest Period, the period from (and including) the date falling "p" TARGET Settlement Days prior to the first day of the relevant Interest Period (and the final Interest Period shall begin on and include the Interest Commencement Date) to (but excluding) the date falling "p" TARGET Settlement Days prior to (A) (in the case of an Interest Period) the Interest Payment Date for such Interest Period or (B) such earlier date, if any, on which the Notes become due and payable; and

"**p**" for any latest Interest Period or Observation Period (as applicable), means the number of TARGET Settlement Days specified as the "Lag Period" or the "Observation Shift Period" (as applicable) in the relevant Final Terms or, if no such period is specified, five TARGET Business Days.

(iv) Subject to Condition 4.2(n) (Benchmark Replacement (Independent Adviser)), if, where any Rate of Interest is to be calculated pursuant to Condition 4.2(g)(ii) above, in respect of any TARGET Settlement Day in respect of which an applicable €STR reference rate is required to be determined, such €STR reference rate is not made available on the Relevant Screen Page and has not otherwise been published by the relevant authorised distributors, then the €STR reference rate in respect of such TARGET Settlement Day shall be the €STR reference rate for the first preceding TARGET Settlement Day in respect of which €STR reference rate was published by the European Central Bank on its website, as determined by the Calculation Agent.

- (v) Subject to Condition 4.2(n) (Benchmark Replacement (Independent Adviser)), if the Rate of Interest cannot be determined in accordance with the foregoing provisions of this Condition 4.2(g)(ii), the Rate of Interest shall be (A) that determined as at the last preceding Interest Determination Date (though substituting, where a different Margin is to be applied to the relevant Interest Period from that which applied to the last preceding Interest Period, the Margin relating to the relevant Interest Period) or (B) if there is no such preceding Interest Determination Date, the initial Rate of Interest which would have been applicable to the Notes for the first Interest Period had the Notes been in issue for a period equal in duration to the scheduled first Interest Period but ending on (and excluding) the Interest Period).
- (h) Interest SONIA Compounded Index and SOFR Compounded Index (Screen Rate Determination)

This Condition 4.2(h) is applicable to the Notes only if the Floating Rate Note Provisions are specified in the relevant Final Terms as being applicable, Screen Rate Determination is specified in the relevant Final Terms as the manner in which the Rate(s) of Interest is/are to be determined, and "Index Determination" is specified in the relevant Final Terms as being applicable.

Where "Index Determination" is specified in the relevant Final Terms as being applicable, the Rate of Interest for each Interest Period will be the compounded daily reference rate for the relevant Interest Period, calculated in accordance with the following formula:

$$\frac{(Compounded Index End}{Compounded Index Start} - 1) X \frac{Numerator}{d}$$

and rounded to the Relevant Decimal Place, plus or minus the Margin (if any), all as determined and calculated by the Calculation Agent, where:

"**Compounded Index**" shall mean either the SONIA Compounded Index or the SOFR Compounded Index, as specified in the relevant Final Terms;

"d" is the number of calendar days from (and including) the day on which the relevant Compounded Index Start is determined to (but excluding) the day on which the relevant Compounded Index End is determined;

"End" means the relevant Compounded Index value on the day falling the Relevant Number of Index Days prior to the Interest Payment Date for such Interest Period, or such other date on which the relevant payment of interest falls due (but which by its definition or the operation of the relevant provisions is excluded from such Interest Period);

"Index Days" means, in the case of the SONIA Compounded Index, London Banking Days, and, in the case of the SOFR Compounded Index, U.S. Government Securities Business Days;

"**Numerator**" means, in the case of the SONIA Compounded Index, 365 and, in the case of the SOFR Compounded Index, 360;

"**Relevant Decimal Place**" shall, unless otherwise specified in the Final Terms, be the fifth decimal place, rounded up or down, if necessary (with 0.000005 being rounded upwards); and

"**Relevant Number**" is as specified in the applicable Final Terms, but, unless otherwise specified shall be five.

"SONIA Compounded Index" means the Compounded Daily SONIA rate as published at 10:00 (London time) by the Bank of England (or a successor administrator of SONIA) on the Bank of England's Interactive Statistical Database, or any successor source;

"**SOFR Compounded Index**" means the Compounded SOFR rate as published at 15:00 (New York time) by Federal Reserve Bank of New York (or a successor administrator of SOFR) on the website of the Federal Reserve Bank of New York, or any successor source; and

"Start" means the relevant Compounded Index value on the day falling the Relevant Number of Index Days prior to the first day of the relevant Interest Period.

Provided that a Benchmark Event has not occurred in respect of the relevant Compounded Index, if, with respect to any Interest Period, the relevant rate is not published for the relevant Compounded Index either on the relevant Start or End date, then the Calculation Agent shall calculate the rate of interest for that Interest Period as if Index Determination was not specified in the applicable Final Terms and as if Compounded SONIA or Compounded Daily SOFR (as defined in Condition 4.2(e) (Interest – Floating Rate Notes referencing SONIA (Screen Rate Determination)) or Condition 4.2(f) (Interest – Floating Rate Notes referencing SOFR (Screen Rate Determination)), as applicable) had been specified instead in the Final Terms, and in each case "Observation Shift" had been specified as the Observation Method in the relevant Final Terms, and where the Observation Period for the purposes of that definition in Condition 4.2(e) or Condition 4.2(f) (as applicable) shall be deemed to be the same as the Relevant Number specified in the Final Terms and where, in the case of Compounded Daily SONIA, the Relevant Screen Page will be determined by the Issuer. For the avoidance of doubt, if a Benchmark Event has occurred in respect of the relevant Compounded Index, the provisions of Condition 4.2(n) (Benchmark Discontinuation (Independent Adviser)) shall apply.

(i) Maximum or Minimum Rate of Interest

If any Maximum Rate of Interest or Minimum Rate of Interest is specified in the relevant Final Terms, then the Rate of Interest shall in no event be greater than the maximum or be less than the minimum so specified.

#### (j) Calculation of Interest Amount

The Calculation Agent will, as soon as practicable after the time at which the Rate of Interest is to be determined in relation to each Interest Period, calculate the Interest Amount payable in respect of each Note for such Interest Period. The Interest Amount will be calculated by applying the Rate of Interest for such Interest Period to the Calculation Amount, multiplying the product by the relevant Day Count Fraction, rounding the resulting figure to the nearest sub-unit of the Specified Currency (half a sub-unit being rounded upwards) and multiplying such rounded figure by a fraction equal to the Specified Denomination of the relevant Note divided by the Calculation Amount. For this purpose a "sub-unit" means, in the case of any currency other than euro, the lowest amount of such currency that is available as legal tender in the country of such currency and, in the case of euro, means one cent.

## (k) Publication

The Calculation Agent will cause each Rate of Interest and Interest Amount determined by it, together with the relevant Interest Payment Date, and any other amount(s) required to be determined by it together with any relevant payment date(s) to be notified to the Paying Agents and each competent authority, stock exchange and/or quotation system (if any) by which the Notes have then been admitted to listing, trading and/or quotation as soon as practicable after such determination. Notice thereof shall also promptly be given to the Noteholders. The Calculation Agent will be entitled to recalculate any Interest Amount (on the basis of the foregoing provisions) without notice in the event of an extension or shortening of the relevant Interest Period. If the Calculation Agent shall not be obliged to publish each Interest Amount but instead may publish only the Calculation Amount and the Interest Amount in respect of a Note having the minimum Specified Denomination.

(1) *Notifications etc* 

All notifications, opinions, determinations, certificates, calculations, quotations and decisions given, expressed, made or obtained for the purposes of this Condition by the Calculation Agent will (in the absence of manifest error) be binding on the Issuer, the Guarantor, the Paying Agents, the Noteholders and the Couponholders and (subject as aforesaid) no liability to any such Person will attach to the Calculation Agent in connection with the exercise or non-exercise by it of its powers, duties and discretions for such purposes.

#### (m) Determination of Rate of Interest following acceleration

If (i) the Notes become due and payable in accordance with Condition 9 (*Enforcement Events*) and (ii) the Rate of Interest for the Interest Period during which the Notes become due and payable is to be determined by reference to any

of Conditions 4.2(e) (Interest – Floating Rate Notes referencing SONIA (Screen Rate Determination)), 4.2(f) (Interest – Floating Rate Notes referencing SOFR (Screen Rate Determination)), 4.2(g) (Interest – Floating Rate Notes referencing  $\notin$ STR (Screen Rate Determination)) and 4.2(h) (Interest – SONIA Compounded Index and SOFR Compounded Index (Screen Rate Determination)), then the final Interest Determination Date shall be the date on which the Notes become so due and payable, and such Rate of Interest shall continue to apply to the Notes for so long as interest continues to accrue thereon as provided in the Conditions.

#### (n) Benchmark Replacement (Independent Adviser)

Other than in the case of a U.S. dollar-denominated floating rate Note for which the Reference Rate is specified in the relevant Final Terms as being "SOFR", if a Benchmark Event occurs in relation to the Reference Rate when the Rate of Interest (or any component part thereof) for any Interest Period remains to be determined by reference to such Reference Rate, then the Issuer shall use its reasonable endeavours to appoint an Independent Adviser, as soon as reasonably practicable, to determine a Successor Rate, failing which an Alternative Rate (in accordance with Condition 4.2(n)(i)) and, in either case, an Adjustment Spread, if any (in accordance with Condition 4.2(n)(ii)) and any Benchmark Amendments (in accordance with Condition 4.2(n)(ii)).

In the absence of bad faith or fraud, the Independent Adviser shall have no liability whatsoever to the Issuer, the Issuing and Principal Paying Agent or the Noteholders for any determination made by it pursuant to this Condition 4.2(n) (*Benchmark Replacement (Independent Adviser)*) and the Issuing and Principal Paying Agent will not be liable for any loss, liability, cost, charge or expense which may arise as a result thereof

- (i) If the Independent Adviser determines in its discretion that:
  - (A) there is a Successor Rate, then such Successor Rate shall (subject to adjustment as provided in Condition 4.2(n)(i)) subsequently be used in place of the Reference Rate to determine the Rate of Interest (or the relevant component part(s) thereof) for the relevant Interest Period and all following Interest Periods, subject to the subsequent operation of this Condition 4.2(n) (*Benchmark Replacement (Independent Adviser)*) in the event of a further Benchmark Event affecting the Successor Rate; or
  - (B) there is no Successor Rate but that there is an Alternative Rate, then such Alternative Rate shall (subject to adjustment as provided in Condition 4.2(n)(i)) subsequently be used in place of the Reference Rate to determine the Rate of Interest (or the relevant component part(s) thereof) for the relevant Interest Period and all following Interest Periods, subject to the subsequent operation of this Condition 4.2(n) (*Benchmark Replacement (Independent Adviser*)) in the event of a further Benchmark Event affecting the Alternative Rate.

- (ii) If the Independent Adviser determines in its discretion (A) that an Adjustment Spread is required to be applied to the Successor Rate or the Alternative Rate (as the case may be) and (B) the quantum of, or a formula or methodology for determining, such Adjustment Spread, then such Adjustment Spread shall apply to the Successor Rate or the Alternative Rate (as the case may be).
- If any relevant Successor Rate, Alternative Rate or Adjustment Spread is (iii) determined in accordance with this Condition 4.2(n) (Benchmark Replacement (Independent Adviser)) and the Independent Adviser determines in its discretion (i) that amendments to these Conditions are necessary to ensure the proper operation of such Successor Rate, Alternative Rate and/or Adjustment Spread (such amendments, the "Benchmark Amendments") and (ii) the terms of the Benchmark Amendments, then the Issuer shall, following consultation with the Calculation Agent (or the person specified in the relevant Final Terms as the party responsible for calculating the Rate of Interest and the Interest Amount(s)), subject to giving notice thereof in accordance with Condition 4.2(n)(iv), without any requirement for the consent or approval of relevant Noteholders, vary these Conditions to give effect to such Benchmark Amendments with effect from the date specified in such notice (and for the avoidance of doubt), the Issuing and Principal Paying Agent shall, at the direction and expense of the Issuer, consent to and effect such consequential amendments to the Agency Agreement and these Conditions as the Issuing and Principal Paying Agent may be required in order to give effect to this Condition 4.2(n) (Benchmark Replacement (Independent Adviser)).
- (iv) If (A) the Issuer is unable to appoint an Independent Adviser or (B) the Independent Adviser appointed by it fails to determine a Successor Rate or, failing which, an Alternative Rate in accordance with this Condition 4.2(n) (*Benchmark Replacement (Independent Adviser*)) prior to the relevant Interest Determination Date, the Reference Rate applicable to the relevant Interest Period shall be the Reference Rate applicable as at the last preceding Interest Determination Date. If there has not been a first Interest Payment Date, the Reference Rate shall be the Reference Rate applicable to the first Interest Period. For the avoidance of doubt, any adjustment pursuant to this Condition 4.2(n)(iv) shall apply to the relevant Interest Period only. Any subsequent Interest Period may be subject to the subsequent operation of this Condition 4.2(n)(*Benchmark Replacement (Independent Adviser)*).
- (v) Any Successor Rate, Alternative Rate, Adjustment Spread and the specific terms of any Benchmark Amendments, determined under this Condition 4.2(n) (*Benchmark Replacement (Independent Adviser*)) will be notified promptly by the Issuer to the Issuing and Principal Paying Agent, the Calculation Agent, the Paying Agents and, in accordance with Condition 13 (*Notices*), the Noteholders. Such notice shall be irrevocable and shall specify the effective date of the Benchmark Amendments, if any.

- (vi) No later than notifying the Issuing and Principal Paying Agent of the same, the Issuer shall deliver to the Issuing and Principal Paying Agent a certificate signed by two authorised signatories of the Issuer:
  - (A) confirming (x) that a Benchmark Event has occurred, (y) the relevant Successor Rate, or, as the case may be, the relevant Alternative Rate and, (z) where applicable, any relevant Adjustment Spread and/or the specific terms of any relevant Benchmark Amendments, in each case as determined in accordance with the provisions of this Condition 4.2(n) (Benchmark Replacement (Independent Adviser)); and
  - (B) certifying that (1) the relevant Benchmark Amendments are necessary to ensure the proper operation of such relevant Successor Rate, Alternative Rate and/or Adjustment Spread and (2) the intent of the drafting of such changes is solely to implement the relevant Benchmark Amendments.

The Issuing and Principal Paying Agent and the Agents shall be entitled to rely on such certificate (without further enquiry and without liability to any person) as sufficient evidence thereof.

- (vii) The Successor Rate or Alternative Rate and the Adjustment Spread (if any) and the Benchmark Amendments (if any) specified in such certificate will (in the absence of manifest error or bad faith in the determination of such Successor Rate or Alternative Rate and such Adjustment Spread (if any) and such Benchmark Amendments (if any)) be binding on the Issuer, Issuing and Principal Paying Agent, the Calculation Agent, the other Paying Agents and the Noteholders.
- (viii) As used in this Condition 4.2(n):

"Adjustment Spread" means either a spread (which may be positive or negative), or the formula or methodology for calculating a spread, in either case, which the Independent Adviser determines is required to be applied to the relevant Successor Rate or the relevant Alternative Rate (as the case may be) and is the spread, formula or methodology which:

- (A) in the case of a Successor Rate, is formally recommended, or formally provided as an option for parties to adopt, in relation to the replacement of the Reference Rate with the Successor Rate by any Relevant Nominating Body; or
- (B) (if no such recommendation has been made, or in the case of an Alternative Rate), the Independent Adviser, determines is customarily applied to the relevant Successor Rate or Alternative Rate (as the case may be) in international debt capital markets transactions to produce an industry-accepted replacement rate for the Reference Rate; or

- (C) (if no such determination has been made) the Independent Adviser determines, is recognised or acknowledged as being the industry standard for over-the-counter derivative transactions which reference the Reference Rate, where such rate has been replaced by the Successor Rate or the Alternative Rate (as the case may be); or
- (D) (if the Independent Adviser determines that no such industry standard is recognised or acknowledged) the Independent Adviser determines to be appropriate to reduce or eliminate, to the extent reasonably practicable in the circumstances, any economic prejudice or benefit (as the case may be) to Noteholders as a result of the replacement of the Reference Rate with the Successor Rate or the Alternative Rate (as the case may be).

"Alternative Rate" means an alternative benchmark or screen rate which the Independent Adviser determines in accordance with this Condition 4.2(n) (*Benchmark Replacement (Independent Adviser*)) is customary in market usage in the international debt capital markets for the purposes of determining floating rates of interest (or the relevant component part thereof) for a commensurate period and in the Specified Currency;

"**Benchmark Amendments**" has the meaning given to it in Condition 4.2(n)(iii);

## "Benchmark Event" means:

- (A) the relevant Reference Rate has ceased to be published on the Relevant Screen Page as a result of such benchmark ceasing to be calculated or administered; or
- (B) a public statement by the administrator of the relevant Reference Rate that (in circumstances where no successor administrator has been or will be appointed that will continue publication of such Reference Rate) it has ceased publishing such Reference Rate permanently or indefinitely or that it will cease to do so by a specified future date (the "Specified Future Date"); or
- (C) a public statement by the supervisor of the administrator of the relevant Reference Rate that such Reference Rate has been or will, by a specified future date (the "Specified Future Date"), be permanently or indefinitely discontinued; or
- (D) a public statement by the supervisor of the administrator of the relevant Reference Rate that means that such Reference Rate will, by a specified future date (the "Specified Future Date"), be prohibited from being used or that its use will be subject to restrictions or adverse consequences, either generally or in respect of the Notes; or

- (E) a public statement by the supervisor of the administrator of the relevant Reference Rate (as applicable) that, in the view of such supervisor, (i) such Reference Rate is or will, by a specified future date (the "Specified Future Date"), be no longer representative of an underlying market or (ii) the methodology to calculate such Reference Rate has materially changed; or
- (F) it has or will, by a specified date within the following six months, become unlawful for the Calculation Agent to calculate any payments due to be made to any Noteholder using the relevant Reference Rate (as applicable) (including, without limitation, under the Benchmarks Regulation (EU) 2016/1011, if applicable).

Notwithstanding the sub-paragraphs above, where the relevant Benchmark Event is a public statement within sub-paragraphs (B), (C), (D), or (E) above and the Specified Future Date in the public statement is more than six months after the date of that public statement, the Benchmark Event shall not be deemed to occur until the date falling six months prior to such Specified Future Date.

Notwithstanding any other provision of this Condition 4.2(n), no Successor Rate or Alternative Benchmark Rate or Adjustment Spread (as applicable) will be adopted, and no other amendments to the terms of the Notes will be made pursuant to this Condition 4.2(n), if and to the extent that, in the determination of the Issuer, the same could reasonably be expected to prejudice the qualification of the Notes as:

- (i) in the case of Preferred Senior Notes or Non-Preferred Senior Notes, eligible liabilities and/or loss absorbing capacity of the Issuer; or
- (ii) in the case of Subordinated Notes, Tier 2 Capital of the Issuer,

or, in the case of Preferred Senior Notes and Non-Preferred Senior Notes only, if and to the extent that, in the determination of the Issuer, the same could reasonably be expected to result in the Resolution Authority treating a future Interest Payment Date as the effective maturity of the Notes, rather than the relevant Maturity Date for the purposes of qualification as eligible liabilities and/or loss absorbing capacity of the Issuer.

"Independent Adviser" means an independent financial institution of international repute or other independent financial adviser experienced in the international capital markets, in each case appointed by the Issuer at its own expense;

"Relevant Nominating Body" means, in respect of a benchmark or screen rate (as applicable):

(A) the central bank for the currency to which the benchmark or screen rate (as applicable) relates, or any central bank or other

supervisory authority which is responsible for supervising the administrator of the benchmark or screen rate (as applicable); or

(B) any working group or committee sponsored by, chaired or cochaired by or constituted at the request of (a) the central bank for the currency to which the benchmark or screen rate (as applicable) relates, (b) any central bank or other supervisory authority which is responsible for supervising the administrator of the benchmark or screen rate (as applicable), (c) a group of the aforementioned central banks or other supervisory authorities or (d) the Financial Stability Board or any part thereof; and

"Successor Rate" means a successor to or replacement of the Reference Rate which is formally recommended by any Relevant Nominating Body.

(o) *Definitions*: In these Conditions the following expressions have the following meanings:

"**2006 ISDA Definitions**" means, in relation to a Series of Notes, the 2006 ISDA Definitions (as supplemented, amended and updated as at the date of issue of the first Tranche of the Notes of such Series) as published by ISDA (copies of which may be obtained from ISDA at www.isda.org);

"2021 ISDA Definitions" means, in relation to a Series of Notes, the latest version of the 2021 ISDA Interest Rate Derivatives Definitions (including each Matrix (and any successor Matrix thereto), as defined in such 2021 ISDA Interest Rate Derivatives Definitions) as at the date of issue of the first Tranche of Notes of such Series, as published by ISDA on its website (www.isda.org);

"Additional Business Centre(s)" means the city or cities specified as such in the relevant Final Terms;

"Additional Financial Centre(s)" means the city or cities specified as such in the relevant Final Terms;

"Business Day" means:

- (a) in relation to any sum payable in euro, a TARGET Settlement Day and a day on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets settle payments generally in each (if any) Additional Business Centre;
- (b) in relation to any sum payable in a currency other than euro, a day on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets settle payments generally in London, in the Principal Financial Centre of the relevant currency and in each (if any) Additional Business Centre; and
- (c) in respect of Notes for which the Reference Rate is specified as SOFR in the relevant Final Terms, any weekday that is a U.S. Government Securities Business Day and is not a legal holiday in New York and each (if any) Additional Business Centre(s) and is not a date on which banking institutions in those cities are authorised or required by law or regulation to be closed;

"**Business Day Convention**", in relation to any particular date, has the meaning given in the relevant Final Terms and, if so specified in the relevant Final Terms, may have different meanings in relation to different dates and, in this context, the following expressions shall have the following meanings:

- (a) **"Following Business Day Convention**" means that the relevant date shall be postponed to the first following day that is a Business Day;
- (b) "Modified Following Business Day Convention" or "Modified Business Day Convention" means that the relevant date shall be postponed to the first following day that is a Business Day unless that day falls in the next calendar month in which case that date will be the first preceding day that is a Business Day save in respect of Notes for which the Reference Rate is SOFR, for which the final Interest Payment Date will not be postponed and interest on that payment will not accrue during the period from and after the scheduled final Interest Payment Date;
- (c) "**Preceding Business Day Convention**" means that the relevant date shall be brought forward to the first preceding day that is a Business Day;
- (d) **"FRN Convention"**, **"Floating Rate Convention"** or **"Eurodollar Convention"** means that each relevant date shall be the date which numerically corresponds to the preceding such date in the calendar month which is the number of months specified in the relevant Final Terms as the Specified Period after the calendar month in which the preceding such date occurred **provided**, **however**, **that**:
  - (i) if there is no such numerically corresponding day in the calendar month in which any such date should occur, then such date will be the last day which is a Business Day in that calendar month;
  - (ii) if any such date would otherwise fall on a day which is not a Business Day, then such date will be the first following day which is a Business Day unless that day falls in the next calendar month, in which case it will be the first preceding day which is a Business Day; and
  - (iii) if the preceding such date occurred on the last day in a calendar month which was a Business Day, then all subsequent such dates will be the last day which is a Business Day in the calendar month which is the specified number of months after the calendar month in which the preceding such date occurred; and
- (e) "No Adjustment" means that the relevant date shall not be adjusted in accordance with any Business Day Convention;

"Calculation Agent" means the Issuing and Principal Paying Agent or such other Person specified in the relevant Final Terms as the party responsible for calculating the Rate(s) of Interest and Interest Amount(s) and/or such other amount(s) as may be specified in the relevant Final Terms; "Calculation Amount" has the meaning given in the relevant Final Terms;

"CIBOR" means, in respect of any currency and any period specified hereon, the interest rate benchmark known as the Copenhagen interbank offered rate administered by Danish Financial Benchmark Facility ApS (or any other person which takes over administration of that rate) based on estimated interbank borrowing rates for Danish kroner for a number of designated maturities which are provided by a panel of contributor banks;

"Day Count Fraction" means, in respect of the calculation of an amount for any period of time (the "Calculation Period"), such day count fraction as may be specified in these Conditions or the relevant Final Terms and:

- (a) if "Actual/Actual (ICMA)" is so specified, means:
  - (i) where the Calculation Period is equal to or shorter than the Regular Period during which it falls, the actual number of days in the Calculation Period divided by the product of (1) the actual number of days in such Regular Period and (2) the number of Regular Periods in any year; and
  - (ii) where the Calculation Period is longer than one Regular Period, the sum of:
    - (A) the actual number of days in such Calculation Period falling in the Regular Period in which it begins divided by the product of (1) the actual number of days in such Regular Period and (2) the number of Regular Periods in any year; and
    - (B) the actual number of days in such Calculation Period falling in the next Regular Period divided by the product of (a) the actual number of days in such Regular Period and (2) the number of Regular Periods in any year;
  - (iii) if "Actual/Actual (ISDA)" is so specified, means the actual number of days in the Calculation Period divided by 365 (or, if any portion of the Calculation Period falls in a leap year, the sum of (A) the actual number of days in that portion of the Calculation Period falling in a leap year divided by 366 and (B) the actual number of days in that portion of the Calculation Period falling in a non-leap year divided by 365);
  - (iv) if "Actual/365 (Fixed)" is so specified, means the actual number of days in the Calculation Period divided by 365;
  - (v) if "Actual/360" is so specified, means the actual number of days in the Calculation Period divided by 360;
  - (vi) if "**30/360**" is so specified, the number of days in the Calculation Period divided by 360, calculated on a formula basis as follows

Day Count Fraction = 
$$\frac{[360 \times (Y_2 - Y_1)] + [30 \times (M_{2-}M_1)] + (D_{2-}D_1)}{360}$$

where:

"Y<sub>1</sub>" is the year, expressed as a number, in which the first day of the Calculation Period falls;

"Y<sub>2</sub>" is the year, expressed as a number, in which the day immediately following the last day included in the Calculation Period falls;

" $M_1$ " is the calendar month, expressed as a number, in which the first day of the Calculation Period falls;

" $M_2$ " is the calendar month, expressed as number, in which the day immediately following the last day included in the Calculation Period falls;

" $D_1$ " is the first calendar day, expressed as a number, of the Calculation Period, unless such number would be 31, in which case  $D_1$  will be 30; and

"D<sub>2</sub>" is the calendar day, expressed as a number, immediately following the last day included in the Calculation Period, unless such number would be 31 and  $D_1$  is greater than 29, in which case  $D_2$  will be 30";

(vii) if "**30E/360**" or "**Eurobond Basis**" is so specified, the number of days in the Calculation Period divided by 360, calculated on a formula basis as follows:

Day Count Fraction = 
$$\frac{[360 \times (Y_2 - Y_1)] + [30 \times (M_{2-}M_1)] + (D_{2-}D_1)}{360}$$

where:

"Y1" is the year, expressed as a number, in which the first day of the Calculation Period falls;

" $Y_2$ " is the year, expressed as a number, in which the day immediately following the last day included in the Calculation Period falls;

"M<sub>1</sub>" is the calendar month, expressed as a number, in which the first day of the Calculation Period falls;

" $M_2$ " is the calendar month, expressed as a number, in which the day immediately following the last day included in the Calculation Period falls;

" $D_1$ " is the first calendar day, expressed as a number, of the Calculation Period, unless such number would be 31, in which case D1 will be 30; and

" $D_2$ " is the calendar day, expressed as a number, immediately following the last day included in the Calculation Period, unless such number would be 31, in which case D2 will be 30; and

if "**30E**/**360** (**ISDA**)" is so specified, the number of days in the Calculation Period divided by 360, calculated on a formula basis as follows:

Day Count Fraction = 
$$\frac{[360 \times (Y_2 - Y_1)] + [30 \times (M_2 - M_1)] + (D_2 - D_1)}{360}$$

where:

"Y<sub>1</sub>" is the year, expressed as a number, in which the first day of the Calculation Period falls;

" $Y_2$ " is the year, expressed as a number, in which the day immediately following the last day included in the Calculation Period falls;

" $M_1$ " is the calendar month, expressed as a number, in which the first day of the Calculation Period falls;

" $M_2$ " is the calendar month, expressed as a number, in which the day immediately following the last day included in the Calculation Period falls;

" $D_1$ " is the first calendar day, expressed as a number, of the Calculation Period, unless (i) that day is the last day of February or (ii) such number would be 31, in which case D1 will be 30; and

"D<sub>2</sub>" is the calendar day, expressed as a number, immediately following the last day included in the Calculation Period, unless (i) that day is the last day of February but not the Maturity Date or (ii) such number would be 31, in which case D2 will be 30,

**provided, however, that** in each such case the number of days in the Calculation Period is calculated from and including the first day of the Calculation Period to but excluding the last day of the Calculation Period;

"EURIBOR" means, in respect of any specified currency and any specified period, the interest rate benchmark known as the Euro zone interbank offered rate which is calculated and published by a designated distributor (currently Thomson Reuters) in accordance with the requirements from time to time of the European Money Markets Institute (or any person which takes over administration of that rate); "First Interest Payment Date" means the date specified in the relevant Final Terms;

"Interest Amount" means, in relation to a Note and an Interest Period, the amount of interest payable in respect of that Note for that Interest Period;

"Interest Commencement Date" means the Issue Date of the Notes or such other date as may be specified as the Interest Commencement Date in the relevant Final Terms;

"Interest Determination Date" has the meaning given in the relevant Final Terms;

"Interest Payment Date" means the First Interest Payment Date and any other date or dates specified as such in, or determined in accordance with the provisions of, the relevant Final Terms and, if a Business Day Convention is specified in the relevant Final Terms:

- (a) as the same may be adjusted in accordance with the relevant Business Day Convention; or
- (b) if the Business Day Convention is the FRN Convention, Floating Rate Convention or Eurodollar Convention and an interval of a number of calendar months is specified in the relevant Final Terms as being the Specified Period, each of such dates as may occur in accordance with the FRN Convention, Floating Rate Convention or Eurodollar Convention at such Specified Period of calendar months following the Interest Commencement Date (in the case of the first Interest Payment Date) or the previous Interest Payment Date (in any other case);

"Interest Period" means each period beginning on (and including) the Interest Commencement Date or any Interest Payment Date and ending on (but excluding) the next Interest Payment Date (or, if the Notes are redeemed on any earlier date, the relevant redemption date);

"ISDA" means the International Swaps and Derivatives Association, Inc. (or any successor);

"ISDA Definitions" has the meaning given in the relevant Final Terms;

"Issue Date" has the meaning given in the relevant Final Terms;

"Margin" has the meaning given in the relevant Final Terms;

"Maturity Date" has the meaning given in the relevant Final Terms;

"Minimum Rate of Interest" for any Interest Period has the meaning given in the Final Terms but shall never be less than zero, including any relevant margin;

"**NIBOR**" means, in respect of Norwegian Kroner and for any specified period, the interest rate benchmark known as the Norwegian interbank offered rate which is calculated and published by a designated distributor (currently Global Rate Set Systems) in accordance with the requirements from time to time of the Norwegian association for banks, insurance companies and financial institutions, Finance Norway – FNO based on estimated interbank borrowing rates for Norwegian Kroner for a number of designated maturities which are provided by a panel of contributor banks (details of historic NIBOR rates can be obtained from the designated distributor);

"**Principal Financial Centre**" means, in relation to any currency, the principal financial centre for that currency **provided**, however, that:

- (a) in relation to euro, it means the principal financial centre of such Member State of the European Union as is selected (in the case of a payment) by the payee or (in the case of a calculation) by the Calculation Agent; and
- (b) in relation to New Zealand dollars, it means either Wellington or Auckland as is selected (in the case of a payment) by the payee or (in the case of a calculation) by the Calculation Agent;

"**Rate of Interest**" means the rate or rates (expressed as a percentage per annum) of interest payable in respect of the Notes specified in the relevant Final Terms or calculated or determined in accordance with the provisions of these Conditions and/or the relevant Final Terms;

"**Redemption Amount**" means, as appropriate, the Final Redemption Amount, the Early Redemption Amount (Tax), the Optional Redemption Amount (Call), the Optional Redemption Amount (Put), the Early Termination Amount or such other amount in the nature of a redemption amount as may be specified in the relevant Final Terms;

"**Reference Banks**" means four major banks selected by the Issuer in the market that is most closely connected with the Reference Rate;

"Reference Rate" means EURIBOR/CIBOR/NIBOR/STIBOR/SONIA/SOFR/€STR as specified in the relevant Final Terms in respect of the currency and period specified in the relevant Final Terms. Other than in the case of U.S. dollar-denominated floating rate Notes for which the "Reference Rate" is specified in the relevant Final Terms as being SOFR, the term Reference Rate shall, following the occurrence of a Benchmark Event under Condition 4.2(n) (*Benchmark Replacement* (*Independent Adviser*)), include any Successor Rate or Alternative Rate and shall, if a Benchmark Event should occur subsequently in respect of any such Successor Rate or Alternative Rate, also include any further Successor Rate or further Alternative Rate;

"Regular Period" means:

(a) in the case of Notes where interest is scheduled to be paid only by means of regular payments, each period from and including the Interest Commencement Date to but excluding the first Interest Payment Date and each successive period from and including one Interest Payment Date to but excluding the next Interest Payment Date;

- (b) in the case of Notes where, apart from the first Interest Period, interest is scheduled to be paid only by means of regular payments, each period from and including a Regular Date falling in any year to but excluding the next Regular Date, where "**Regular Date**" means the day and month (but not the year) on which any Interest Payment Date falls; and
- (c) in the case of Notes where, apart from one Interest Period other than the first Interest Period, interest is scheduled to be paid only by means of regular payments, each period from and including a Regular Date falling in any year to but excluding the next Regular Date, where "Regular Date" means the day and month (but not the year) on which any Interest Payment Date falls other than the Interest Payment Date falling at the end of the irregular Interest Period.

"**Relevant Date**" means, in relation to any payment, whichever is the later of (a) the date on which the payment in question first becomes due and (b) if the full amount payable has not been received by the Issuing and Principal Paying Agent on or prior to such due date, the date on which (the full amount having been so received) notice to that effect has been given to the Noteholders;

"Relevant Financial Centre" has the meaning given in the relevant Final Terms;

"**Relevant Screen Page**" means the page, section or other part of a particular information service (including, without limitation, Reuters) specified as the Relevant Screen Page in the relevant Final Terms, or such other page, section or other part as may replace it on that information service or such other information service, in each case, as may be nominated by the Person providing or sponsoring the information appearing there for the purpose of displaying rates or prices comparable to the Reference Rate;

"Relevant Time" has the meaning given in the relevant Final Terms;

"Specified Period" has the meaning given in the relevant Final Terms;

"STIBOR" means, in respect of Swedish Kronor and for any specified period, the interest rate benchmark known as the Stockholm interbank offered rate which is calculated and published by a designated distributor (currently Swedish Financial Benchmark Facility) based on estimated interbank borrowing rates for Swedish Kronor for a number of designated maturities which are provided by a panel of contributor banks (details of historic STIBOR rats can be obtained from the designated distributor);

"TARGET2" means the Trans-European Automated Real-Time Gross Settlement Express Transfer payment system or any successor thereto; and

"TARGET Settlement Day" means any day on which TARGET2 is open for the settlement of payments in euro.

#### 4.3 **Rate Reset Provisions**

This Condition 4.3 (*Rate Reset Provisions*) shall only apply if the Reset Note Provisions are specified in the relevant Final Terms as being applicable to one or more Interest Period(s).

- (a) *Accrual of Interest*: The Notes bear interest on their outstanding principal amounts:
  - (i) from (and including) the Interest Commencement Date to (but excluding) the First Reset Date at the Initial Rate of Interest;
  - (ii) for the First Reset Period at the First Reset Rate of Interest; and
  - (iii) for each Subsequent Reset Period thereafter (if any) to (but excluding) the Maturity Date at the relevant Subsequent Reset Rate of Interest,

payable, in each case, in arrear on each relevant Interest Payment Date (subject as provided in Condition 5 (*Payments*)).

The Rate of Interest and the Interest Amount payable shall be determined by the Calculation Agent, (A) in the case of the Rate of Interest, at or as soon as practicable after each time at which the Rate of Interest is to be determined, and (B) in the case of the Interest Amount in accordance with the provisions for calculating amounts of interest in Conditions 4.1 (*Interest on Fixed Rate Notes*).

(b) Fallbacks

If on any Reset Determination Date, the Relevant Screen Page is not available or the Mid-Swap Rate does not appear on the Relevant Screen Page as of the Relevant Time on such Reset Determination Date, the Rate of Interest applicable to the Notes in respect of each Interest Period falling in the relevant Reset Period will be determined by the Calculation Agent on the following basis:

- the Calculation Agent shall request each of the Reset Reference Banks to provide it with its Mid-Market Swap Rate Quotation as at approximately the Relevant Time on the Reset Determination Date in question;
- (ii) if at least three of the Reset Reference Banks provide the Calculation Agent with Mid-Market Swap Rate Quotations, the First Reset Rate of Interest or the Subsequent Reset Rate of Interest (as applicable) for the relevant Reset Period will be equal to the sum of (A) the arithmetic mean (rounded, if necessary, to the nearest 0.001 per cent. (0.0005 per cent. being rounded upwards)) of the relevant quotations provided, eliminating the highest quotation (or, in the event of equality, one of the highest) and the lowest (or, in the event of equality, one of the lowest) and (B) the relevant Reset Margin, all as determined by the Calculation Agent;
- (iii) if only two relevant quotations are provided, the First Reset Rate of Interest or the Subsequent Reset Rate of Interest (as applicable) for the relevant Reset Period will be equal to the sum of (A) the arithmetic mean (rounded as aforesaid) of the relevant quotations provided and (B) the relevant Reset Margin, all as determined by the Calculation Agent;

- (iv) if only one relevant quotation is provided, the First Reset Rate of Interest or the Subsequent Reset Rate of Interest (as applicable) for the relevant Reset Period will be equal to the sum of (A) the relevant quotation provided and (B) the relevant Reset Margin, all as determined by the Calculation Agent; and
- (v) if none of the Reset Reference Banks provides the Calculation Agent with a Mid-Market Swap Rate Quotation as provided in the foregoing provisions of this Condition 4.3(b) (*Rate Reset Provisions – Fallbacks*), the First Reset Rate of Interest or the Subsequent Reset Rate of Interest (as applicable) will be equal to the sum of (A) the Mid-Swap Rate determined on the last preceding Reset Determination Date and (B) the relevant Reset Margin or, in the case of the first Reset Determination Date, the First Reset Rate of Interest will be equal to the sum of (A) the Initial Mid-Swap Rate and (B) the relevant Reset Margin, all as determined by the Calculation Agent.

## (c) *Mid-Swap Rate Conversion*

This Condition 4.3(c) (*Rate Reset Provisions – Mid-Swap Rate Conversion*) is only applicable if Mid-Swap Rate Conversion is specified in the relevant Final Terms. If Mid-Swap Rate Conversion is so specified as being applicable, the First Reset Rate of Interest and, if applicable, each Subsequent Reset Rate of Interest Issuing will be converted from the Original Mid-Swap Rate Basis specified in the relevant Final Terms to a basis which matches the per annum frequency of Interest Payment Dates in respect of the relevant Notes (such calculation to be determined by the Issuer in conjunction with a leading financial institution selected by it).

#### (d) Publication

The Calculation Agent will cause the First Reset Rate of Interest, any Subsequent Reset Rate of Interest and, in respect of a Reset Period, the Interest Amount payable on each Interest Payment Date falling in such Reset Period to be notified to the Agents, each listing authority, stock exchange and/or quotation system (if any) on which the Notes have then been admitted to listing, trading and/or quotation and, in the case of VP Notes, the VP, as the case may be, and the VP Issuing Agent as soon as practicable after such determination. Notice thereof shall also promptly be given to the Noteholders.

#### (e) Notification

All notifications, opinions, determinations, certificates, calculations, quotations and decisions given, expressed, made or obtained for the purposes of this Condition 4.3 (*Rate Reset Provisions*) by the Calculation Agent will (in the absence of manifest error) be binding on the Issuer, the Agent, the VP Issuing Agent (if applicable), the Noteholders, the Receiptholders and the Couponholders and (subject as aforesaid) no liability to any such person will attach to the Calculation Agent in connection with the exercise or non-exercise by it of its powers, duties and discretions for such purposes. where:

"First Reset Date" means the date specified in the relevant Final Terms;

"First Reset Margin" means the margin specified as such in the relevant Final Terms;

"**First Reset Period**" means the period from (and including) the First Reset Date to (but excluding) the Second Reset Date or, if no such Second Reset Date is specified in the relevant Final Terms, the Maturity Date;

"First Reset Rate of Interest" means, in respect of the First Reset Period and subject to Condition 4.3(b) (*Rate Reset Provisions – Fallbacks*) and Condition 4.3(c) (*Rate Reset Provisions – Mid-Swap Rate Conversion*), the rate of interest determined by the Calculation Agent on the relevant Reset Determination Date and may be either a fixed rate or a floating rate. If a fixed rate it shall be calculated as the sum of the relevant Mid-Swap Rate and the First Reset Margin. If a floating rate it shall be calculated as the sum of the floating rate specified in the Final Terms as applicable to the First Reset Period and the First Reset Margin;

"Initial Mid-Swap Rate" has the meaning specified in the relevant Final Terms;

"**Mid-Market Swap Rate**" means for any Reset Period the mean of the bid and offered rates for the fixed leg payable with a frequency equivalent to the Original Mid-Swap Rate Basis (calculated on the day count basis customary for fixed rate payments in the Specified Currency as determined by the Calculation Agent) of a fixed-for-floating interest rate swap transaction in the Specified Currency which transaction (i) has a term equal to the relevant Reset Period and commencing on the relevant Reset Date, (ii) is in an amount that is representative for a single transaction in the relevant market at the relevant time with an acknowledged dealer of good credit in the swap market and (iii) has a floating leg based on the Mid-Swap Floating Leg Benchmark Rate for the Mid-Swap Floating Leg Maturity (calculated on the day count basis customary for floating rate payments in the Specified Currency as determined by the Calculation Agent);

"Mid-Market Swap Rate Quotation" means a quotation (expressed as a percentage rate per annum) for the relevant Mid-Market Swap Rate;

"**Mid-Swap Rate**" means, in relation to a Reset Determination Date and subject to Condition 4.3(b) (*Rate Reset Provisions – Fallbacks*), either:

- (a) if Single Mid-Swap Rate is specified in the relevant Final Terms, the rate for swaps in the Specified Currency:
  - (i) with a term equal to the relevant Reset Period; and
  - (ii) commencing on the relevant Reset Date, which appears on the Relevant Screen Page; or

- (b) if Mean Mid-Swap Rate is specified in the relevant Final Terms, the arithmetic mean (expressed as a percentage rate per annum and rounded, if necessary, to the nearest 0.001 per cent. (0.0005 per cent. being rounded upwards)) of the bid and offered swap rate quotations for swaps in the Specified Currency:
  - (i) with a term equal to the relevant Reset Period; and
  - (ii) commencing on the relevant Reset Date, which appear on the Relevant Screen Page, in either case, as at approximately the Relevant Time on such Reset Determination Date, all as determined by the Calculation Agent;

"**Reset Date**" means the First Reset Date, the Second Reset Date and each Subsequent Reset Date (as applicable);

"**Reset Determination Date**" means, in respect of a Reset Period, the date specified as such in the relevant Final Terms;

"**Reset Margin**" means the First Reset Margin and the Subsequent Reset Margin (as applicable);

"**Reset Period**" means the First Reset Period or a Subsequent Reset Period, as the case may be;

"**Reset Reference Banks**" means the principal office in the principal financial centre of the Specified Currency of five major banks in the swap, money, securities or other market most closely connected with the relevant Mid-Swap Rate as selected by the Calculation Agent in its discretion after consultation with the Issuer;

"Subsequent Reset Date" means the date or dates specified in the relevant Final Terms;

"Subsequent Reset Margin" means the margin specified as such in the relevant Final Terms;

"Subsequent Reset Period" means the period from (and including) the Second Reset Date to (but excluding) the next Subsequent Reset Date, and each successive period from (and including) a Subsequent Reset Date to (but excluding) the next succeeding Subsequent Reset Date or the Maturity Date as the case may be; and

"Subsequent Reset Rate of Interest" means in respect of any Subsequent Reset Period and subject to Condition 4.3(b) (*Rate Reset Provisions – Fallbacks*) and Condition 4.3(c) (*Rate Reset Provisions – Mid-Swap Rate Conversion*), the rate of interest determined by the Calculation Agent on the relevant Reset Determination Date and may be either a fixed rate or a floating rate. If a fixed rate it shall be calculated as the sum of the relevant Mid-Swap Rate and the relevant Subsequent Reset Margin. If a floating rate it shall be calculated as the sum of the floating rate specified in the Final Terms as applicable to the Subsequent Reset Period and the Subsequent Reset Margin.

# (f) Accrual of interest

Each Note (or in the case of the redemption of part only of a Note, that part only of such Note) will cease to bear interest (if any) from the date for its redemption unless payment of principal is improperly withheld or refused.

In such event:

- (a) in the case of Bearer Notes, interest will continue to accrue until whichever is the earlier of:
  - (i) the date on which all amounts due in respect of such Note have been paid; and
  - (ii) five days after the date on which the full amount of the moneys payable in respect of such Note has been received by the Agent and notice to that effect has been given to the Noteholders in accordance with Condition 13 (*Notices*); or
- (b) in the case of VP Notes, interest will continue to accrue until the date the holders of the VP Notes receive the full amount of such payments.

# 5. **PAYMENTS**

## 5.1 **Method of payment**

Subject as provided below:

- (a) payments in a Specified Currency other than euro will be made by credit or transfer to an account in the relevant Specified Currency maintained by the payee with, or, at the option of the payee, by a cheque in such Specified Currency drawn on, a bank in the principal financial centre of the country of such Specified Currency (which, if the Specified Currency is Australian dollars or New Zealand dollars, shall be Sydney and Auckland, respectively); and
- (b) payments in euro will be made by credit or transfer to a euro account (or any other 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 subject in all cases to any fiscal or other laws and regulations applicable thereto in the place of payment, but without prejudice to the provisions of Condition 8 (*Prescription*).

# 5.2 Presentation of definitive Notes, Receipts and Coupons

Payments of principal in respect of definitive Notes will be made in the manner provided in Condition 5.1 (*Method of Payment*) above only against presentation and surrender (or, in the case of part payment of any sum due, endorsement) of definitive Notes, and payments of interest in respect of definitive Notes will (subject as provided below) be made as aforesaid only against presentation and surrender (or, in the case of part payment of any sum due, endorsement) of Coupons, in each case at the specified office of any Paying Agent outside the United States (which expression, as used herein, means the United States of America (including the States and the District of Columbia and its possessions)).

Payments of instalments of principal (if any) in respect of definitive Notes, other than the final instalment, will (subject as provided below) be made in the manner provided in Condition 5.1 (*Method of Payment*) above only against presentation and surrender (or, in the case of part payment of any sum due, endorsement) of the relevant Receipt in accordance with the preceding paragraph. Payment of the final instalment will be made in the manner provided in the Condition 5.1 (*Method of Payment*) above only against presentation and surrender (or, in the case of part payment of any sum due, endorsement) of the relevant Note in accordance with the preceding paragraph. Each Receipt must be presented for payment of the relevant instalment together with the definitive Note to which it appertains. Receipts presented without the definitive Note to which they appertain do not constitute valid obligations of the Issuer. Upon the date on which any definitive Note becomes due and repayable, unmatured Receipts (if any) relating thereto (whether or not attached) shall become void and no payment shall be made in respect thereof.

Fixed Rate Notes in definitive form should be presented for payment together with all unmatured Coupons appertaining thereto (which expression shall for this purpose include Coupons falling to be issued on exchange of matured Talons), failing which the amount of any missing unmatured Coupon (or, in the case of payment not being made in full, the same proportion of the amount of such missing unmatured Coupon as the sum so paid bears to the sum due) will be deducted from the sum due for payment. Each amount of principal so deducted will be paid in the manner mentioned above against surrender of the relative missing Coupon at any time before the expiry of 10 years after the Relevant Date (as defined in Condition 7 (*Taxation*)) in respect of such principal (whether or not such Coupon would otherwise have become void under Condition 9 (*Enforcement Events*)) or, if later, five years from the date on which such Coupon would otherwise have become due, but in no event thereafter.

Upon any Fixed Rate Note in definitive form becoming due and repayable prior to its Maturity Date, all unmatured Talons (if any) appertaining thereto will become void and no further Coupons will be issued in respect thereof.

Upon the date on which any Floating Rate Note, or Long Maturity Note in definitive form becomes due and repayable, unmatured Coupons and Talons (if any) relating thereto (whether or not attached) shall become void and no payment or, as the case may be, exchange for further Coupons shall be made in respect thereof. A "Long Maturity Note" is a Fixed Rate Note (other than a Fixed Rate Note which on issue had a Talon attached) whose nominal amount on issue is less than the aggregate interest payable thereon provided that such Note shall cease to be a Long Maturity Note on the Interest Payment Date on which the aggregate amount of interest remaining to be paid after that date is less than the nominal amount of such Note.

If the due date for redemption of any definitive Note is not an Interest Payment Date, interest (if any) accrued in respect of such Note from (and including) the preceding Interest Payment Date or, as the case may be, the Interest Commencement Date shall be payable only against surrender of the relevant definitive Note.

# 5.3 **Payments in respect of Global Notes**

Payments of principal and interest (if any) in respect of Notes represented by any Global Note will (subject as provided below) be made in the manner specified above in relation to definitive Notes or otherwise in the manner specified in the relevant Global Note, where applicable against presentation or surrender, as the case may be, of such Global Note at the specified office of any Paying Agent outside the United States. A record of each payment made, distinguishing between any payment of principal and any payment of interest, will be made on such Global Note either by the Paying Agent to which it was presented or in the records of Euroclear and Clearstream, Luxembourg, as applicable.

## 5.4 **Payments in respect of VP Notes**

Payments of principal and interest in respect of VP Notes will be made to the persons registered as Noteholders on the fifth Danish Business Day (or such other day which may become customary on the Danish bond market in respect of VP Notes, which in respect of VP Notes denominated in Danish kroner is expected to be the third Danish Business Day) prior to the Interest Payment Date or the Maturity Date, as the case may be, all in accordance with the rules and procedures applied and/or issued by the VP from time to time.

As used herein:

"**Danish Business Day**" means a day on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets are open for business in Denmark; and

#### 5.5 General provisions applicable to payments

The holder of a Global Note shall be the only person entitled to receive payments in respect of Notes represented by such Global Note and the Issuer will be discharged by payment to, or to the order of, the holder of such Global Note in respect of each amount so paid. Each of the persons shown in the records of Euroclear or Clearstream, Luxembourg as the beneficial holder of a particular nominal amount of Notes represented by such Global Note must look solely to Euroclear or Clearstream, Luxembourg, as the case may be, for his share of each payment so made by the Issuer to, or to the order of, the holder of such Global Note.

Notwithstanding the foregoing provisions of this Condition 5 (*Payments*) if any amount of principal and/or interest in respect of Notes is payable in U.S. dollars, such U.S. dollar payments of principal and/or interest in respect of such Notes will be made at the specified office of a Paying Agent in the United States if:

- (a) the Issuer has appointed Paying Agents with specified offices outside the United States with the reasonable expectation that such Paying Agents would be able to make payment in U.S. dollars at such specified offices outside the United States of the full amount of principal and interest on the Notes in the manner provided above when due;
- (b) payment of the full amount of such principal and interest at all such specified offices outside the United States is illegal or effectively precluded by exchange controls or other similar restrictions on the full payment or receipt of principal and interest in U.S. dollars; and

(c) such payment is then permitted under United States law without involving, in the opinion of the Issuer adverse tax consequences to the Issuer.

#### 5.6 **Payment Day**

If the date for payment of any amount in respect of any Note, Receipt or Coupon is not a Payment Day, the holder thereof shall not be entitled to payment until the next following Payment Day and shall not be entitled to further interest or other payment in respect of such delay. For these purposes, "**Payment Day**" means any day which (subject to Condition 9 (*Enforcement Events*)) is:

- (a) a day on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets settle payments and are open for general business (including dealing in foreign exchange and foreign currency deposits) in:
  - (i) in the case of Notes in definitive form only, the relevant place of presentation;
  - (ii) each Additional Financial Centre specified in the applicable Final Terms; and
- (b) either (A) in relation to any sum payable in a Specified Currency other than euro, a day on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets settle payments and are open for general business (including dealing in foreign exchange and foreign currency deposits) in the principal financial centre of the country of the relevant Specified Currency (which if the Specified Currency is Australian dollars or New Zealand dollars shall be Sydney and Auckland, respectively) or (B) in relation to any sum payable in euro, a day on which the TARGET2 System is open.

#### 5.7 **Interpretation of principal and interest**

Any reference in the Conditions to principal in respect of the Notes shall be deemed to include, as applicable:

- (a) any additional amounts which may be payable with respect to principal under Condition 7 (*Taxation*);
- (b) the Final Redemption Amount of the Notes;
- (c) the Early Redemption Amount of the Notes;
- (d) Early Redemption Amount (MREL Disqualification Event)
- (e) the Optional Redemption Amount(s) (if any) of the Notes;
- (f) in relation to Notes redeemable in instalments, the Instalment Amounts;
- (g) in relation to Zero Coupon Notes, the Amortised Face Amount (as defined in Condition 6.7 (*Early Redemption Amounts*)); and

(h) any premium and any other amounts (other than interest) which may be payable by the Issuer under or in respect of the Notes.

Any reference in the Conditions to interest in respect of the Notes shall be deemed to include, as applicable, any additional amounts which may be payable with respect to interest under Condition 7 (*Taxation*).

#### 6. **REDEMPTION AND PURCHASE**

#### 6.1 **Redemption at maturity**

Unless previously redeemed or purchased and cancelled as specified below, each Note will be redeemed by the Issuer at its Final Redemption Amount specified in, or determined in the manner specified in, the applicable Final Terms in the relevant Specified Currency on the Maturity Date.

#### 6.2 **Early redemption of the Subordinated Notes**

This Condition 6.2 only applies to Subordinated Notes.

#### 6.2.1 Early redemption for tax reasons

Subject to Condition 6.13 (*Consent to early redemption, purchase, substitution or variation etc.*), the Subordinated Notes may be redeemed at the option of the Issuer in whole, but not in part, at any time (if this Subordinated Note is not a Floating Rate Note,) or on any Interest Payment Date (if this Subordinated Note is a Floating Rate Note), on giving not less than 30 nor more than 60 days' notice to the Agent or, in the case of VP Notes, the VP Issuing Agent and, in accordance with Condition 13 (*Notices*), the Noteholders (which notice shall be irrevocable subject to the Permission Withdrawal Early Redemption Restrictions), if:

- (a) on the occasion of the next payment due under the Subordinated Notes, the Issuer has or will become obliged to pay additional amounts as provided or referred to in Condition 7 (*Taxation*) as a result of any change in, or amendment to, the laws or regulations of a Tax Jurisdiction (as defined in Condition 7 (*Taxation*)), or any material change in the application or official interpretation of such laws or regulations, which change or amendment becomes effective on or after the date on which agreement is reached to issue the first Tranche of the Subordinates Notes;
- (b) it will no longer be able to obtain a full tax deduction for the purposes of the Danish tax for any payment of interest under such Notes; and
- (c) the Issuer having demonstrated to the satisfaction of the Relevant Regulator that such change in tax treatment of the relevant Subordinated Notes is material and was not reasonably foreseeable at the time of issuance of the first Tranche of the Subordinated Notes,

**provided that** no such notice of redemption shall be given earlier than 90 days prior to the earliest date on which the Issuer would be obliged to pay such additional amounts were a payment in respect of the Notes then due.

Prior to the publication of any notice of redemption pursuant to this Condition 6, the Issuer shall deliver to the Agent or, in the case of VP Notes, the VP Issuing Agent a certificate signed by two Directors of the Issuer stating that the Issuer is entitled to effect such redemption and setting forth a statement of facts showing that the conditions precedent to the right of the Issuer so to redeem have occurred, and an opinion of independent legal advisers of recognised standing to the effect that the Issuer has or will become obliged to pay such additional amounts as a result of such change or amendment.

Notes redeemed pursuant to this Condition 6.2.1 will be redeemed at their Early Redemption Amount referred to in Condition 6.7 (*Early Redemption Amounts*) below together (if appropriate) with interest accrued to (but excluding or, in the case of VP Notes, and including) the date of redemption

6.2.2 Early redemption for regulatory reclassification reasons

Subject to Condition 6.13 (*Consent to early redemption, purchase, substitution or variation etc.*), the Subordinated Notes may be redeemed at the option of the Issuer in whole, but not in part, at any time (if the Subordinated Note is not a Floating Rate Note) or on any Interest Payment Date (if this Subordinated Note is a Floating Rate Note) on giving not less than 30 but no more than 60 days' notice to the Agent or, in the case of VP Notes, the VP Issuing Agent and, in accordance with Condition 13 (*Notices*), the Noteholders (which notice shall be irrevocable subject to the Permission Withdrawal Early Redemption Restrictions), if a change in the regulatory classification of the Subordinated Notes results or will result in:

- (d) their exclusion, in whole or in part from the Tier 2 Capital (within the meaning of the CRR) of the Issuer; or
- (e) reclassification, in whole or in part as a lower quality form of regulatory capital of the Issuer,

and the Relevant Regulator considering such change sufficiently certain and the Issuer having demonstrated to the satisfaction of the Relevant Regulator that such exclusion or regulatory reclassification was not reasonably foreseeable at the time of issuance of the first tranche of the Subordinated Notes,

**provided that** no such notice of redemption shall be given earlier than 90 days prior to the earliest date on which such change or reclassification, as applicable, becomes effective.

Prior to the publication of any notice of redemption pursuant to this Condition 6 (*Redemption and Purchase*), the Issuer shall deliver to the Agent or, in the case of VP Notes, the VP Issuing Agent a certificate signed by two Directors of the Issuer stating that the Issuer is entitled to effect such redemption and setting forth a statement of facts showing that the conditions precedent to the right of the Issuer to so redeem have occurred, and an opinion of independent legal advisers of recognised standing to the effect that one of the conditions set out above in paragraphs (a) and (b) have been satisfied.

Notes redeemed pursuant to this Condition 6.2.2 will be redeemed at their Early Redemption Amount referred to in Condition 6.7 (*Early Redemption Amounts*) below together (if appropriate) with interest accrued to (but excluding) the date of redemption.

# 6.3 Redemption for tax reasons of the Preferred Senior Notes and Non-Preferred Senior Notes

This Condition 6.3 only applies to Preferred Senior Notes and Non-Preferred Senior Notes.

Subject to Condition 6.13 (*Consent to early redemption, purchase, substitution or variation etc.*), the Notes may be redeemed at the option of the Issuer in whole, but not in part, at any time (if this Note is not a Floating Rate Note,) or on any Interest Payment Date (if this Note is a Floating Rate Note), on giving not less than 30 nor more than 60 days' notice to the Agent or, in the case of VP Notes, the VP Issuing Agent and, in accordance with Condition 13 (*Notices*), the Noteholders (which notice shall be irrevocable subject to the Permission Withdrawal Early Redemption Restrictions), if:

- (a) on the occasion of the next payment due under the Notes, the Issuer has or will become obliged to pay additional amounts as provided or referred to in Condition 7 (*Taxation*) as a result of any change in, or amendment to, the laws or regulations of a Tax Jurisdiction (as defined in Condition 7 (*Taxation*)) or any change in the application or official interpretation of such laws or regulations, which change or amendment becomes effective on or after the date on which agreement is reached to issue the first Tranche of the Notes; and
- (b) such obligation cannot be avoided by the Issuer taking reasonable measures available to it,

**provided that** no such notice of redemption shall be given earlier than 90 days prior to the earliest date on which the Issuer would be obliged to pay such additional amounts were a payment in respect of the Senior Notes then due.

Prior to the publication of any notice of redemption pursuant to this Condition 6, the Issuer shall deliver to the Agent or, in the case of VP Notes, the VP Issuing Agent a certificate signed by two Directors of the Issuer stating that the Issuer is entitled to effect such redemption and setting forth a statement of facts showing that the conditions precedent to the right of the Issuer so to redeem have occurred, and an opinion of independent legal advisers of recognised standing to the effect that the Issuer has or will become obliged to pay such additional amounts as a result of such change or amendment.

Notes redeemed pursuant to this Condition 6.3 will be redeemed at their Early Redemption Amount referred to in Condition 6.7 (*Early Redemption Amounts*) below together (if appropriate) with interest accrued to (but excluding) the date of redemption.

#### 6.4 **Redemption upon the occurrence of a MREL Disqualification Event**

This Condition 6.4 only applies to Preferred Senior Notes and Non-Preferred Senior Notes.

If the MREL Disqualification Event Redemption Option is specified in the applicable Final Terms as being applicable, any Series of Preferred Senior Notes or Non-Preferred Senior Notes may (subject as provided for in Condition 6.13 (Consent to early redemption, purchase, substitution or variation etc.)) be redeemed at the option of the Issuer in whole, but not in part, at any time (if such Notes are not Floating Rate Notes) or on any Interest Payment Date (if such Notes are Floating Rate Notes), on giving not less than 30 nor more than 60 days' notice to (in the case of Notes other than VP Notes) the Principal Paying Agent or (in the case of VP Notes) the VP Issuing Agent (where the VP Issuing Agent is not the Issuer) and, in accordance with Condition 13 (Notices), the Noteholders (which notice shall be irrevocable subject to the Permission Withdrawal Early Redemption Restrictions), upon the occurrence of a MREL Disgualification Event. Preferred Senior Notes or Non-Preferred Senior Notes redeemed pursuant to this Condition 6.4 will be redeemed at the Early Redemption Amount (MREL Disqualification Event) specified in the applicable Final Terms together (if appropriate) with interest accrued to (but excluding, or, in the case of VP Notes, and including) the date of redemption.

Prior to the publication of any notice of redemption pursuant to this Condition 6 (*Redemption and Purchase*), the Issuer shall deliver to (in the case of Notes other than VP Notes) the Principal Paying Agent or (in the case of VP Notes) the VP Issuing Agent (where the VP Issuing Agent is not the Issuer) to make available at its specified office to the Noteholders (or, in the case of VP Notes where the Issuer is the VP Issuing Agent, the Issuer shall make available to the Noteholders at its registered office) a certificate signed by two Directors of the Issuer stating that the Issuer is entitled to effect such redemption and setting forth a statement of facts showing that the conditions precedent to the right of the Issuer so to redeem have occurred.

#### 6.5 **Redemption at the option of the Issuer (Issuer Call)**

If Issuer Call is specified in the applicable Final Terms, the Issuer may (subject as provided for in Condition 6.13 (*Consent to early redemption, purchase, substitution or variation etc.*)), having given:

- (a) not less than 15 nor more than 30 days' notice to the Noteholders in accordance with Condition 13 (*Notices*); and
- (b) not less than 15 days before the giving of the notice referred to in (a) above, notice to the Agent or, in the case of VP Notes, the VP Issuing Agent;

(which notices shall be irrevocable subject, to the Permission Withdrawal Early Redemption Restrictions and shall specify the date fixed for redemption), redeem all or some only of the Notes then outstanding on any Optional Redemption Date and at the Optional Redemption Amount(s) specified in, or determined in the manner specified in, the applicable Final Terms together, if appropriate, with interest accrued to (but excluding) the relevant Optional Redemption Date. Any such redemption must be of a nominal amount not less than the Minimum Redemption Amount and not more than the Maximum Redemption Amount, in each case as may be specified in the applicable Final Terms. In the case of a partial redemption of Notes, the Notes to be redeemed ("**Redeemed Notes**") will be selected individually by lot, in the case of Redeemed Notes represented by definitive Notes, and in accordance with the rules of Euroclear and/or Clearstream, Luxembourg, (to be reflected in the records of Euroclear and Clearstream, Luxembourg as either a pool factor or a reduction in nominal amount, at their discretion) in the case of Redeemed Notes represented by a Global Note, and in accordance with the rules of the VP, in the case of VP Notes, in each case not more than 30 days prior to the date fixed for redemption (such date of selection being hereinafter called the "Selection Date"). In the case of Redeemed Notes represented by definitive Notes, a list of the serial numbers of such Redeemed Notes will be published in accordance with Condition 13 (*Notices*) not less than 15 days prior to the date fixed for redemption. No exchange of the relevant Global Note will be permitted during the period from (and including) the Selection Date to (and including) the date fixed for redemption pursuant to this Condition 6 (*Redemption and Purchase*) and notice to that effect shall be given by the Issuer to the Noteholders in accordance with Condition 13 (*Notices*) at least five days prior to the Selection Date.

## 6.6 Clean-up Call Option

If the Clean-up Call Option is specified in the relevant Final Terms as being applicable, in the event that Notes representing an aggregate amount equal to or exceeding 80 per cent. of the principal amount of the Notes have been purchased and cancelled or redeemed by the Issuer (other than as a result of the exercise by the Issuer of its redemption right under Condition 6.5 (*Redemption at the Option of the Issuer (Issuer Call)*)) the Issuer may (subject as provided for in Condition 6.13 (*Consent to early redemption, purchase, substitution or variation etc.*) in the case in the case of Non-Preferred Senior Notes and Subordinated Notes), on giving not less than 30 nor more than 60 days' irrevocable notice to (in the case of Notes other than VP Notes) the Principal Paying Agent or (in the case of VP Notes) the VP Agent (where the VP Agent is not the Issuer) and the Noteholders in accordance with Condition 13 (*Notices*) (or such other notice period as may be specified in the applicable Final Terms), redeem on the date specified in such notice all, but not some only, of the remaining Notes in that Series at their Early Redemption Amount (as specified in the relevant Final Terms) together with any interest accrued to but excluding the date set for redemption.

#### 6.7 Early Redemption Amounts

For the purpose of Conditions 6.2 (*Redemption for tax reasons*) and 6.2.2 (*Early redemption of the Subordinated Notes for regulatory reasons*) above and Condition 9 (*Enforcement Events*), each Note will be redeemed at its Early Redemption Amount calculated as follows:

- (a) in the case of a Note with a Final Redemption Amount equal to the Issue Price, at the Final Redemption Amount thereof;
- (b) in the case of a Note (other than a Zero Coupon Note but including an Instalment Note) with a Final Redemption Amount which is or may be less or greater than the Issue Price or which is payable in a Specified Currency other than that in which the Note is denominated, at the amount specified in, or determined in the manner specified in, the applicable Final Terms or, if no such amount or manner is so specified in the applicable Final Terms, at its nominal amount; or
- (c) in the case of a Zero Coupon Note, at an amount (the "Amortised Face Amount") calculated in accordance with the following formula:

# Early Redemption Amount = $RP \times (1 + AY)^{Y}$

where:

**RP** means the Reference Price;

**AY** means the Accrual Yield expressed as a decimal; and

<sup>y</sup> is a fraction the numerator of which is equal to the number of days (calculated on the basis of a 360-day year consisting of 12 months of 30 days each) from (and including) the Issue Date of the first Tranche of the Notes to (but excluding) the date fixed for redemption or (as the case may be) the date upon which such Note becomes due and repayable and the denominator of which is 360,

or on such other calculation basis as may be specified in the applicable Final Terms.

# 6.8 Instalments

Instalment Notes will be redeemed in the Instalment Amounts and on the Instalment Dates. In the case of early redemption, the Early Redemption Amount will be determined pursuant to Condition 6.7 (*Early Redemption Amounts*).

## 6.9 **Purchases**

Subject to Condition 6.13 (*Consent to early redemption, purchase, substitution or variation etc.*), the Issuer or any subsidiary of the Issuer may at any time, purchase Notes (**provided that**, in the case of definitive Notes, all unmatured Receipts, Coupons and Talons appertaining thereto are purchased therewith) at any price in the open market or otherwise. Such Notes may be held, reissued, resold or, at the option of the Issuer, surrendered to any Paying Agent for cancellation or, in the case of VP Notes, cancelled by causing such VP Notes to be deleted from the records of the VP.

# 6.10 Cancellation

All Notes which are redeemed will forthwith (and subject as provided for in Condition 6.13 (*Consent to early redemption, purchase, substitution or variation etc.*) in the case of Non-Preferred Senior Notes and Subordinated Notes) be cancelled (together with all unmatured Receipts, Coupons and Talons attached thereto or surrendered therewith at the time of redemption). All Notes so cancelled and any Notes purchased and cancelled pursuant to Condition 6.9 (*Purchases*) above (together with all unmatured Receipts, Coupons and Talons cancelled therewith) shall (in the case of Bearer Notes) be forwarded to the Agent and cannot (in any case) be reissued or resold.

# 6.11 Late payment on Zero Coupon Notes

If the amount payable in respect of any Zero Coupon Note upon redemption of such Zero Coupon Note pursuant to Conditions 6.2.2 (*Early redemption of the Subordinated Notes for regulatory reclassification reasons*), 6.2 (*Redemption for tax reasons*), 6.2 (*Redemption upon the occurrence of a MREL Disqualification Event*), 6.5 (*Redemption at the option of the Issuer (Issuer Call)*) or 6.6 (*Clean-up Call Option*) above or upon

its becoming due and repayable as provided in Condition 9 (*Enforcement Events*) is improperly withheld or refused, the amount due and repayable in respect of such Zero Coupon Note shall be the amount calculated as provided in Condition 6.7(c) above as though the references therein to the date fixed for the redemption or the date upon which such Zero Coupon Note becomes due and payable were replaced by references to:

- (a) in the case of Bearer Notes, the date which is the earlier of:
  - (i) the date on which all amounts due in respect of such Zero Coupon Note have been paid; and
  - (ii) five days after the date on which the full amount of the moneys payable in respect of such Zero Coupon Notes has been received by the Agent and notice to that effect has been given to the Noteholders in accordance with Condition 13 (*Notices*); or
- (b) in the case of VP Notes, the date on which holders of the VP Notes received the full amount of such payment.

## 6.12 **Substitution and variation**

- (a) This Condition 6.12(a) is only applicable to Preferred Senior Notes and/or Non-Preferred Senior Notes:
  - (i) If the MREL Disqualification Event Substitution/Variation Option is specified in the applicable Final Terms as being applicable, subject to Condition 6.13 (*Consent to early redemption, purchase, substitution or variation etc.*) and having given no less than 30 nor more than 60 days' notice to (in the case of Notes other than VP Notes) the Principal Paying Agent or (in the case of VP Notes) the VP Agent (where the VP Agent is not the Issuer) and, in accordance with Condition 13 (*Notices*), the Noteholders (which notice shall be irrevocable), if a MREL Disqualification Event has occurred and is continuing the Issuer may substitute all (but not some only) of the Preferred Senior Notes or Non-Preferred Senior Notes or vary the terms of all (but not some only) of such Notes or, without any requirement for the consent or approval of the Noteholders, so that:
    - (A) such Preferred Senior Notes become or remain Qualifying Senior Notes that are Preferred Senior Notes; and
    - (B) such Non-Preferred Senior Notes become or remain Qualifying Senior Notes that are Non-Preferred Senior Notes,
  - (ii) Any such notice shall specify the relevant details of the manner in which such substitution or variation shall take effect and where the Noteholders can inspect or obtain copies of the new terms and conditions of the relevant Qualifying Senior Notes. Such substitution or variation will be effected without any cost or charge to the Noteholders.
- (b) This Condition 6.12(b) is only applicable to Subordinated Notes:

- (i) Subject to having given no less than 30 nor more than 60 days' notice to (in the case of Notes other than VP Notes) the Principal Paying Agent or (in the case of VP Notes) the VP Agent (where the VP Agent is not the Issuer) and, in accordance with Condition 13 (*Notices*), the Noteholders (which notice shall be irrevocable), if a tax event as described in Condition 6.2.1 (*Early redemption for tax reasons*) or a regulatory reclassification as described in Condition 6.2.2 (*Early redemption for regulatory reclassification reasons*) has occurred and is continuing, the Issuer may (subject to Condition 6.13 (*Consent to early redemption, purchase, substitution or variation etc.*)) substitute all (but not some only) of the Subordinated Notes or vary the terms of all (but not some only) of the Subordinated Notes, without any requirement for the consent or approval of the Noteholders, so that they become or remain Qualifying Subordinated Notes.
- (ii) Any such notice shall specify the relevant details of the manner in which such substitution or variation shall take effect and where the Noteholders can inspect or obtain copies of the new terms and conditions of the Qualifying Subordinated Notes. Such substitution or variation will be effected without any cost or charge to the Noteholders.

## 6.13 Consent to early redemption, purchase, substitution or variation etc.

Notes may only be redeemed, purchased, cancelled, substituted, varied or modified (as applicable) pursuant to Conditions 6.2 (*Redemption for tax reasons*), 6.2.2 (*Early redemption of the Subordinated Notes for regulatory reclassification reasons*), 6.2 (*Redemption upon the occurrence of a MREL Disqualification event*), 6.5 (*Redemption at the option of the Issuer (Issuer Call)*), 6.6 (*Clean-up Call Option*), 6.9 (*Purchases*), 6.11 (*Late payment on Zero Coupons Notes*) or 6.12 (*Substitution and variation*), as the case may be, if:

- (a) in the case of any such substitution, variation or modification, the Issuer has notified the Relevant Regulator of, and the Relevant Regulator has not objected to, such substitution, variation or modification (as applicable) in accordance with the CRD/CRR requirements;
- (b) in the case of any such redemption, purchase or cancellation of Subordinated Notes, the Issuer has notified the Relevant Regulator of, and the Relevant Regulator has given permission to, such redemption, purchase or cancellation (as applicable) in accordance with the CRD/CRR requirements (which, in the case of Subordinated Notes as at 28 June 2022, are set out in Articles 77 and 78 of the CRR) and, if so given by the Relevant Regulator, such permission has not been withdrawn by the Relevant Regulator prior to the date fixed for redemption, purchase or cancellation (as applicable); and
- (c) in the case of any such redemption, purchase or cancellation of Preferred Senior Notes or Non-Preferred Senior Notes, the Issuer has notified the Relevant Regulator of, and, the Relevant Regulator has given permission to, such redemption, purchase or cancellation (as applicable) in accordance with the CRD/CRR requirements (which, in the case of Non-Preferred Senior Notes, as at 28 June 2022, are set out in Articles 77 and 78a of the CRR) and, if so given

by the Relevant Regulator, such permission has not been withdrawn by the Relevant Regulator prior to the date fixed for redemption, purchase or cancellation (as applicable).

If after a notice of redemption has been given pursuant to Condition 6.2 (*Early redemption of the Subordinated Notes*), 6.3 (*Redemption for tax reasons of the Preferred Senior Notes and Non-Preferred Senior Notes*), 6.4 (*Redemption upon the occurrence of a MREL Disqualification event*) or 6.5 (*Redemption at the option of the Issuer (Issuer Call)*), the Relevant Regulator withdraws its permission to the relevant redemption before the relevant redemption date, such notice of redemption shall automatically be revoked and the relevant redemption shall not be made until a new redemption notice is given and all conditions for redemption as described in this paragraph is referred to as the "**Permission Withdrawal Early Redemption Restriction**".

Any refusal by the Relevant Regulator to grant its permission to any such redemption, purchase or cancellation (as applicable) pursuant to this Condition 6.13 will not constitute an event of default or an Enforcement Event under the relevant Notes.

# 6.14 **Definitions**

In the Conditions, the following expressions have the following meanings:

"Applicable MREL Regulations" means, at any time, the laws, regulations, requirements, guidelines and policies then in effect in the Denmark giving effect to any MREL Requirement or any successor regulations then applicable to the Issuer, including, without limitation to the generality of the foregoing, CRD, the BRRD and those regulations, requirements, guidelines and policies giving effect to any MREL Requirement or any successor regulations then in effect (whether or not such requirements, guidelines or policies have the force of law and whether or not they are applied generally or specifically to the Issuer);

"Danish Statutory Loss Absorption Powers" means any reduction, write-down, conversion, transfer, modification, suspension or similar or related power existing from time to time under, and exercised in compliance with, any laws, regulations, rules or requirements in effect in Denmark, relating to (i) the transposition of the BRRD (or, as the case may be, any provision of Danish law transposing or implementing such Directive) as amended or replaced from time to time and (ii) the instruments, rules and standards created thereunder, pursuant to which any obligation of the Issuer (or any affiliate of the Issuer) can be written-down, reduced, cancelled, modified, or converted into ordinary shares, other securities or other obligations of the Issuer or any other person (or suspended for a temporary period).

"**MREL Disqualification Event**" means, in respect of a Series of Preferred Senior Notes or Non-Preferred Senior Notes, the determination by the Issuer that, as a result of:

(a) the implementation of any Applicable MREL Regulations on or after the date of issue of the last Tranche of such Series; or

(b) a change in any Applicable MREL Regulations becoming effective on or after the date of issue of the last Tranche of such Series,

all or part of the outstanding principal amounts of such Series will be excluded from the "eligible liabilities" (or any equivalent or successor term) available to meet any MREL Requirement (however called or defined by then Applicable MREL Regulations) if the Issuer is then or, as the case may be, will be subject to such MREL Requirement, provided that a MREL Disqualification Event shall not occur where such exclusion is or will be caused by (1) the remaining maturity of such Notes being less than any period prescribed by any applicable eligibility criteria under the Applicable MREL Regulations, or (2) any applicable limits on the amount of "eligible liabilities" (or any equivalent or successor term) permitted or allowed to meet any MREL Requirement(s) being exceeded;

"**MREL Requirement**" means the minimum requirement for own funds and eligible liabilities, in each case which is or, as the case may be, will be, applicable to the Issuer;

"Qualifying Senior Notes" means, in respect of a Series of Preferred Senior Notes or Non-Preferred Senior Notes, at any time, any securities (other than such Notes) issued or guaranteed by the Issuer that:

- (a) contain terms which comply with the then current requirements for "eligible liabilities" (or any equivalent or successor term) provided for in the Applicable MREL Regulations in relation to the relevant MREL Requirement(s) (which, for the avoidance of doubt, may result in the relevant securities not including, or restricting for a period of time the application of, one or more of the early redemption rights which are included in the relevant Notes);
- (b) carry the same rate of interest as the relevant Notes prior to the relevant substitution or variation pursuant to Condition 6.12 (*Substitution and variation*);
- (c) have the same currency of payment, denomination, original principal amount and Outstanding Principal Amounts as the relevant Notes prior to the relevant substitution or variation pursuant to Condition 6.12 (*Substitution and variation*);
- (d) have the same Maturity Date and the same Interest Payment Dates as the relevant Notes prior to the relevant substitution or variation pursuant to Condition 6.12 (*Substitution and variation*);
- (e) have at least the same ranking as the relevant Notes prior to the relevant substitution or variation pursuant to Condition 6.12 (*Substitution and variation*);
- (f) shall not, immediately following the relevant substitution or variation pursuant to Condition 6.12 (*Substitution and variation*) be subject to a MREL Disqualification Event;
- (g) are assigned (or maintain) at least the same solicited credit ratings as were assigned to the relevant Notes immediately prior to the relevant substitution or variation pursuant to Condition 6.12 (*Substitution and variation*);
- (h) have terms not materially less favourable to the Noteholders than the terms of the relevant Notes, as determined by the Issuer in its sole and absolute discretion,

and provided that the Issuer shall have delivered a certificate to that effect signed by two of its directors to (in the case of Notes other than VP Notes) the Principal Paying Agent or (in the case of VP Notes) the VP Issuing Agent (where the VP Agent is not the Issuer) not less than 5 Business Days prior to (a) in the case of a substitution of the relevant Notes pursuant to Condition 6.12 (*Substitution and variation*), the issue date of the relevant securities or (b) in the case of a variation of the relevant Notes pursuant to Condition 6.12 (*Substitution and variation*), the date such variation becomes effective;

(i) if (A) the relevant Notes were listed or admitted to trading on a regulated market for the purposes of Directive 2014/65/EU (a "Regulated Market") immediately prior to the relevant substitution or variation, are listed or admitted to trading on a Regulated Market or (B) the relevant Notes were listed or admitted to trading on a recognised stock exchange other than a Regulated Market immediately prior to the relevant substitution or variation, are listed or admitted to trading on any recognised stock exchange (including, without limitation, a Regulated Market), in either case as selected by the Issuer;

"**Qualifying Subordinated Notes**" means, in respect of a Series of Subordinated Notes, at any time, any securities (other than such Notes) issued or guaranteed by the Issuer that:

- (a) contain terms which comply with the then current requirements of the relevant regulator in relation to Tier 2 Capital;
- (b) carry the same rate of interest from time to time applying to such Notes prior to the relevant substitution or variation pursuant to Condition 6.12 (*Substitution and variation*);
- (c) have the same currency of payment, denomination, original principal amount and Outstanding Principal Amounts as the relevant Notes prior to the relevant substitution or variation pursuant to Condition 6.12 (*Substitution and variation*);
- (d) have the same Maturity Date and the same Interest Payment Dates as the relevant Notes prior to the relevant substitution or variation pursuant to Condition 6.12 (*Substitution and variation*);
- (e) have at least the same ranking as the relevant Notes prior to the relevant substitution or variation pursuant to Condition 6.12 (*Substitution and variation*);
- (f) shall not, immediately following the relevant substitution or variation pursuant to Condition 6.12 (*Substitution and variation*), be subject to a tax event as described in Condition 6.2.1 (*Early redemption for tax reasons*) or a regulatory reclassification as described in Condition 6.2.2 (*Early redemption for regulatory reclassification reasons*);
- (g) are assigned (or maintain) at least the same solicited credit ratings as were assigned to the relevant Notes immediately prior to the relevant substitution or variation pursuant to Condition 6.12 (*Substitution and variation*);

- (h) have terms not materially less favourable to the Noteholders than the terms of the relevant Notes, as determined by the Issuer in its sole and absolute discretion, and provided that the Issuer shall have delivered a certificate to that effect signed by two of its directors to (in the case of Notes other than VP Notes) the Principal Paying Agent or (in the case of VP Notes) the VP Issuing Agent (where the VP Agent is not the Issuer) not less than 5 Business Days prior to (a) in the case of a substitution of the relevant Notes pursuant to Condition 6.12 (*Substitution and variation*), the issue date of the relevant securities or (b) in the case of a variation of the relevant Notes pursuant to Condition 6.12 (*Substitution and variation*), the date such variation becomes effective;
- (i) if (A) the relevant Notes were listed or admitted to trading on a Regulated Market immediately prior to the relevant substitution or variation, are listed or admitted to trading on a Regulated Market or (B) the relevant Notes were listed or admitted to trading on a recognised stock exchange other than a Regulated Market immediately prior to the relevant substitution or variation, are listed or admitted to trading on any recognised stock exchange (including, without limitation, a Regulated Market), in either case as selected by the Issuer;

"**Relevant Regulator**" means, in relation to the Issuer, the Danish Financial Supervisory Authority and any successor or replacement thereto, and/or such other authority having primary responsibility for the prudential oversight and supervision of the Issuer and/or (in the case of Non-Preferred Senior Notes) the Resolution Authority (if applicable), in any case as determined by the Issuer.

"**Resolution Authority**" means the resolution authority with the ability to exercise any Danish Statutory Loss Absorption Powers (or any other power under the BRRD) in relation to the Issuer.

# 7. **TAXATION**

## 7.1 **Taxation provisions applicable to Bearer Notes**

All payments in respect of the Bearer Notes, Receipts and Coupons by the Issuer will be made free and clear of, and without withholding or deduction for or on account of any present or future taxes or duties of whatever nature imposed or levied by or on behalf of any Tax Jurisdiction unless such withholding or deduction is required by law.

In the event that withholding or deduction is required by law in respect of payments of interest, the Issuer will pay such additional amounts as shall be necessary in order that the net amounts received by the holders of the Bearer Notes, Receipts or Coupons after such withholding or deduction shall be equal to the respective amounts of interest which would otherwise have been receivable in respect of the Bearer Notes, Receipts or Coupons, as the case may be, in the absence of such withholding or deduction; except that no such additional amounts shall be payable with respect to any Bearer Note, Receipt or Coupon:

- (a) presented for payment in Denmark; and/or
- (b) presented for payment to, or to a third party on behalf of, holder of which is liable for such taxes, duties, assessments or governmental charges in respect of such

Note, Receipt or Coupon by reason of his having some connection with a Tax Jurisdiction other than the mere holding of such Note, Receipt or Coupon; or

- (c) presented for payment more than thirty (30) days after the Relevant Date (as defined below) except to the extent that the holder thereof would have been entitled to an additional amount on presenting the same payment on such thirtieth day assuming that day to have been a Payment Day (as defined in Condition 5.6 (*Payment Day*)); and/or
- (d) withholding as a consequence of the FATCA rules.

As used herein:

- (i) **"Tax Jurisdiction**" means Denmark or any political subdivision or any authority thereof or therein having power to tax; and
- (ii) the "**Relevant Date**" means the date on which such payment first becomes due, except that, if the full amount of the moneys payable has not been duly received by the Agent on or prior to such due date, it means the date on which, the full amount of such moneys having been so received, notice to that effect is duly given to the Noteholders in accordance with Condition 13 (*Notices*).

# 7.2 **Taxation provisions applicable to VP Notes**

All payments in respect of the VP Notes by the Issuer will be made free and clear of, and without withholding or deduction for or on account of any future or present taxes, duties, assessments or governmental charges of whatever nature imposed or levied by or on behalf of any Tax Jurisdiction unless such withholding or deduction is required by law.

In the event that withholding tax or deduction is required by law in respect of payments of interest, the Issuer will pay such additional amounts as shall be necessary in order that the net amounts received by the holders of VP Notes after such withholding or deduction shall equal the respective amounts of interest which would otherwise have been receivable in respect of the VP Notes in the absence of such withholding or deduction, except that no such additional amounts shall be payable with respect to any VP Note:

- (a) presented for payment in Denmark; and/or
- (b) presented for payment to, or to a third party on behalf of, a holder of which is liable for such taxes, or duties, assessments or governmental charges in respect of such VP Note by reason of his having some connection with a Tax Jurisdiction other than the mere holding of such VP Note; and/or
- (c) presented for payment more than thirty (30) days after the Relevant Date (as defined below) except to the extent that the holder thereof would have been entitled to an additional amount on presenting the same payment on such thirtieth day assuming that day to have been a Payment Day (as defined in Condition 5.6 (*Payment Day*));

As used herein:

- (i) **"Tax Jurisdiction** means Denmark or any political subdivision or any authority thereof or therein having power to tax; and
- (ii) the "Relevant Date means the date on which such payment first becomes due, except that, if the full amount of the moneys payable has not been duly received by the holders of the VP Notes, as the case may be, on or prior to such due date, it means the date on which, the full amount of such moneys having been so received, notice to that effect is duly given to the Noteholders in accordance with Condition 13 (*Notices*).

# 7.3 **Taxation provisions applicable to all Notes**

In the case of Preferred Senior Notes, Non-Preferred Senior Notes and Subordinated Notes, for the avoidance of doubt, the obligation to pay additional amounts by the Issuer will be limited to payments in respect of interest only.

# 8. **PRESCRIPTION**

The Bearer Notes, Receipts and Coupons shall become void unless claims in respect of principal and/or interest are made within a period of 10 years (in the case of principal) and three years (in the case of interest) after the Relevant Date (as defined in Condition 7 (*Taxation*)) therefor.

There shall not be included in any Coupon sheet issued on exchange of a Talon any Coupon the claim for payment in respect of which would be void pursuant to this Condition 8 or Condition 5.2 (*Presentation of definitive Notes, Receipts and Coupons*) or any Talon which would be void pursuant to Condition 5.2 (*Presentation of definitive Notes, Receipts and Coupons*).

In the case of VP Notes, claims against the Issuer for the payment of principal and/or interest payable in respect of the VP Notes shall become void unless made within a period of 10 years (in the case of principal) and three years (in the case of interest) after the Relevant Date therefor and thereafter any principal and/or interest in respect of such VP Notes shall be forfeited and revert to the Issuer.

# 9. **ENFORCEMENT EVENTS**

## 9.1 Enforcement Events

- (a) There are no events of default in respect of the Notes. Noteholders shall not be entitled at any time to file for bankruptcy or liquidation of the Issuer.
- (b) If an order is made or an effective resolution is passed for the bankruptcy or liquidation of the Issuer (an "**Enforcement Event**"), any Noteholder may prove or claim in such proceedings in respect of such Note, such claim being for payment of the Early Redemption Amount of such Note at the time of commencement of such bankruptcy or liquidation of the Issuer together with any interest accrued and unpaid on such Note from (and including) the Interest Payment Date immediately preceding the occurrence of such Enforcement Event and any other amounts payable on such Note (including any damages payable in

respect thereof). Such claim shall rank as provided in Condition 3 (*Redomination*).

(c) Subject to Condition 9.1(a) and without prejudice to Condition 9.1(b), any Noteholder may, at its discretion and without further notice, institute such proceedings against the Issuer as it may think fit to enforce any obligation, condition or provision binding on the Issuer under the Notes, provided that the Issuer shall not by virtue of the institution of any proceedings be obliged to pay any sum or sums sooner than the same would otherwise have been payable by it.

#### 10. **REPLACEMENT OF NOTES, RECEIPTS, COUPONS AND TALONS**

Should any Note, Receipt, Coupon or Talon be lost, stolen, mutilated, defaced or destroyed, it may be replaced at the specified office of the Agent upon payment by the claimant of such costs and expenses as may be incurred in connection therewith and on such terms as to evidence and indemnity as the Issuer may reasonably require. Mutilated or defaced Notes, Receipts, Coupons or Talons must be surrendered before replacements will be issued.

## 11. **PAYING AGENTS**

## 11.1 Bearer Notes

The following shall only apply to Bearer Notes:

The names of the initial Paying Agents and their initial specified offices are set out below.

The Issuer is entitled to vary or terminate the appointment of any Paying Agent and/or appoint additional or other Paying Agents and/or approve any change in the specified office through which any Paying Agent acts, **provided that**:

- (a) there will at all times be an Agent;
- (b) so long as the Notes are listed on any stock exchange or admitted to listing by any other relevant authority, there will at all times be a Paying Agent with a specified office in such place as may be required by the rules and regulations of the relevant stock exchange or other relevant authority;
- (c) there will at all times be a Paying Agent in a Member State of the European Union that will not be obliged to withhold or deduct tax pursuant to European Council Directive 2003/48/EC or any law implementing or complying with, or introduced in order to conform to, such Directive; and
- (d) there will at all times be a Paying Agent in a jurisdiction within continental Europe, other than the jurisdiction in which the Issuer is incorporated.

In addition, the Issuer shall forthwith appoint a Paying Agent having a specified office in New York City in the circumstances described in Condition 5.5 (*General provisions applicable to payments*). Any variation, termination, appointment or change shall only take effect (other than in the case of insolvency, when it shall be of immediate effect) after not less than 30 nor more than 45 days' prior notice thereof shall have been given to the Noteholders in accordance with Condition 13 (*Notices*).

In acting under the Agency Agreement, the Paying Agents act solely as agents of the Issuer and do not assume any obligation to, or relationship of agency or trust with, any Noteholders or Couponholders. The Agency Agreement contains provisions permitting any entity into which any Paying Agent is merged or converted or with which it is consolidated or to which it transfers all or substantially all of its assets to become the successor paying agent.

## 11.2 VP Notes

The following shall only apply to VP Notes:

In relation to VP Notes, the Issuer will, in accordance with the rules and procedures applicable to and/or issued by VP from time to time, appoint (i) VP as the central securities depositary, and (ii) a VP Issuing Agent. The VP Issuing Agent will be specified in the relevant Final Terms.

The Issuer is entitled to vary or terminate the appointment of VP or the VP Issuing Agent, as the case may be, **provided that** the Issuer will appoint another central securities depositary or issuing agent, and in respect of the appointment of another VP Issuing Agent in accordance with the rules and procedures applicable to and/or issued by the VP from time to time. The central securities depository and the VP Issuing Agent act solely as agents of the Issuer and do not assume any obligation to, or relationship of agency or trust with, any Noteholders. Any variation, termination, appointment or change shall only take effect (other than in the case of insolvency, when it shall be of immediate effect) after not less than 30 nor more than 45 days' prior notice thereof shall have been given to the Noteholders in accordance with Condition 13 (*Notices*).

# 12. EXCHANGE OF TALONS

On and after the Interest Payment Date on which the final Coupon comprised in any Coupon sheet matures, the Talon (if any) forming part of such Coupon sheet may be surrendered at the specified office of the Agent or any other Paying Agent in exchange for a further Coupon sheet including (if such further Coupon sheet does not include Coupons to (and including) the final date for the payment of interest due in respect of the Note to which it appertains) a further Talon, subject to the provisions of Condition 8 (*Prescription*).

## 13. NOTICES

All notices regarding the Notes will be deemed to be validly given if published in a leading English language daily newspaper of general circulation in London. It is expected that any such publication in a newspaper will be made in the *Financial Times* in London. The Issuer shall also ensure that notices are duly published in a manner which complies with the rules of any stock exchange or other relevant authority on which the Notes are for the time being listed or by which they have been admitted to trading. Any such notice will be deemed to have been given on the date of the first publication or, where required to be published in more than one newspaper, on the date of the first publication in all required newspapers.

Until such time as any definitive Notes are issued, there may, so long as any Global Notes representing the Notes are held in their entirety on behalf of Euroclear and/or Clearstream, Luxembourg, be substituted for such publication in such newspaper(s) the delivery of the relevant notice to Euroclear and/or Clearstream, Luxembourg for communication by them to the holders of the Notes and, in addition, for so long as any Notes are listed on a stock exchange or are admitted to trading by another relevant authority and the rules of that stock exchange or relevant authority so require, such notice will be published in a daily newspaper of general circulation in the place or places required by those rules. Any such notice shall be deemed to have been given to the holders of the Notes on the second day after the day on which the said notice was given to Euroclear and/or Clearstream, Luxembourg.

Notwithstanding the above, all notices to holders of VP Notes will be valid if given (i) in accordance with the procedures of the VP and (ii) in a manner which complies with the rules of any stock exchange or other relevant authority on which the relevant VP Notes are for the time being listed or by which they have been admitted to trading (and will be deemed to have been given to the holders of VP Notes on the second day after the day on which the said notice was given in such manner).

Notices to be given by any Noteholder in respect of Bearer Notes shall be in writing and given by lodging the same, together (in the case of any Note in definitive form) with the relative Note or Notes, with the Agent. Whilst any of the Notes are represented by a Global Note, such notice may be given by any holder of a Note to the Agent through Euroclear and/or Clearstream, Luxembourg, as the case may be, in such manner as the Agent and Euroclear and/or Clearstream, Luxembourg, as the case may be, may approve for this purpose.

Notices to be given by any holder of VP Notes shall be in writing and given by lodging the same with the VP Issuing Agent.

## 14. MEETINGS OF NOTEHOLDERS AND MODIFICATION

## 14.1 Holders of Bearer Notes

The Agency Agreement contains provisions for convening meetings of the Noteholders to consider any matter affecting their interests, including the sanctioning by Extraordinary Resolution of a modification of the Notes, the Receipts, the Coupons or any of the provisions of the Agency Agreement. Such a meeting may be convened by the Issuer and shall be convened by the Issuer if required in writing by Noteholders holding not less than five per cent. in nominal amount of the Notes for the time being remaining outstanding. The quorum at any such meeting for passing an Extraordinary Resolution is one or more persons holding or representing not less than 50 per cent. in nominal amount of the Notes for the time being outstanding, or at any adjourned meeting one or more persons being or representing Noteholders whatever the nominal amount of the Notes so held or represented, except that at any meeting the business of which includes the modification of certain provisions of the Notes, the Receipts or the Coupons (including modifying the date of maturity of the Notes or any date for payment of interest thereon, reducing or cancelling the amount of principal or the rate of interest payable in respect of the Notes or altering the currency of payment of the Notes, the Receipts or the Coupons), the quorum shall be one or more persons holding or representing not less than two-thirds in nominal amount of the Notes for the time being

outstanding, or at any adjourned such meeting one or more persons holding or representing not less than one-third in nominal amount of the Notes for the time being outstanding. An Extraordinary Resolution passed at any meeting of the Noteholders shall be binding on all the Noteholders, whether or not they are present at the meeting, and on all Receiptholders and Couponholders.

The Agent and the Issuer may agree, without the consent of the Noteholders, Receiptholders or Couponholders, to:

- (a) any modification (except such modification in respect of which an increased quorum is required as mentioned above) of the Notes, the Receipts, the Coupons or the Agency Agreement which is not prejudicial to the interests of the Noteholders; or
- (b) any modification of the Notes, the Receipts, the Coupons or the Agency Agreement which is of a formal, minor or technical nature or is made to correct a manifest error or to comply with mandatory provisions of the law.

Any such modification shall be binding on the Noteholders, the Receiptholders and the Couponholders and any such modification shall be notified to the Noteholders in accordance with Condition 13 (*Notices*) as soon as practicable thereafter.

Any modification to these Conditions pursuant to the operation of the provisions described in this Condition 14.1 is subject to Condition 6.13 (*Consent to early redemption, purchase, substitution or variation etc.*).

#### 14.2 Holders of VP Notes

The VP Issuing Agency Agreement will contain provisions for convening meetings of the holders of VP Notes to consider any matter affecting their interests, including sanctioning by a majority of votes (as more fully set out in the VP Issuing Agency Agreement) a modification of the VP Notes or any of the provisions of the VP Issuing Agency Agreement (or, in certain cases, sanctioning by a majority of two thirds of votes). Such a meeting may be convened by the Issuer, the VP Issuing Agent or the holders of VP Notes holding not less than 10 per cent. of the Voting VP Notes. For the purpose of this Condition 14 (*Meetings of Notesholders and Modification*), "Voting VP Notes" means the aggregate nominal amount of the total number of VP Notes not redeemed or otherwise deregistered in the VP, less the VP Notes owned by the Issuer, any party who has decisive influence over the Issuer or any party over whom the Issuer has decisive influence.

The quorum at a meeting for passing a resolution is one or more persons holding at least one half of the Voting VP Notes or at any adjourned meeting one or more persons being or representing holders of Voting VP Notes whatever the nominal amount of the VP Notes so held or represented, except that at any meeting the business of which includes the modification of certain provisions of the VP Notes, the VP Issuing Agency Agreement (including modifying the date of maturity of the VP Notes or any date for payment of interest thereof, reducing or cancelling the amount of principal or the rate of interest payable in respect of the VP Notes or altering the currency of payment of the VP Notes), the quorum shall be one or more persons holding or representing not less than two-thirds in aggregate nominal amount of the Voting VP Notes for the time being outstanding, or at any adjourned such meeting one or more persons holding or representing not less than one-third in aggregate nominal amount of the Voting VP Notes. A resolution passed at any meeting of the holders of VP Notes shall be binding on all the holders of such VP Notes, whether or not they are present at such meeting.

Any modification to these Conditions pursuant to the operation of the provisions described in this Condition 14.2 is subject to Condition 6.13 (*Consent to early redemption, purchase, substitution or variation etc.*).

## 15. **FURTHER ISSUES**

The Issuer shall be at liberty from time to time without the consent of the Noteholders or the Couponholders to create and issue further notes having terms and conditions the same as the Notes or the same in all respects save for the amount and date of the first payment of interest thereon and so that the same shall be consolidated and form a single Series with the outstanding Notes.

# 16. GOVERNING LAW AND SUBMISSION TO JURISDICTION

## 16.1 Governing law

The Notes, the Receipts and the Coupons are governed by, and will be construed in accordance with, the Danish law.

#### 16.2 Jurisdiction

The courts of Denmark are to have jurisdiction to settle any disputes which may arise out of or in connection with the Notes, the Receipts or the Coupons and, accordingly, any legal action or proceedings arising out of or in connection with the Notes, the Receipts or the Coupons ("**Proceedings**") may be brought in such courts. The Issuer irrevocably submits to the jurisdiction of such courts and waives any objection to Proceedings in such courts whether on the ground of venue or on the ground that the Proceedings have been brought in an inconvenient forum. This submission is made for the benefit of each of the Noteholders, the Receiptholders and the Couponholders and shall not limit the right of any of them to take Proceedings in one or more jurisdictions preclude the taking of Proceedings in one or more jurisdictions preclude the taking of Proceedings in any other concurrently or not).

## 16.3 **Recognition of write-down or conversion powers**

For the avoidance of doubt, by its acquisition of the Notes each Noteholder acknowledges and accepts that any liability arising under the Notes may be subject to (without limitation) the exercise of any Danish Statutory Loss Absorption Powers (including, for the avoidance of doubt, in accordance with Article 48 of the BRRD and, in the case of Subordinated Notes only, Article 59 of the BRRD).

Upon the Issuer being informed and notified by the Relevant Resolution Authority of the actual exercise of any Danish Statutory Loss Absorption Powers with respect to the Notes, the Issuer shall notify the Noteholders without delay in accordance with Condition 13 (*Notices*). Any delay or failure by the Issuer to give notice shall not affect the validity and enforceability of the Danish Statutory Loss Absorption Powers.

# SCHEDULE 3 PROVISIONS FOR MEETINGS OF NOTEHOLDERS

#### 1. **DEFINITIONS**

As used in this Schedule, the following expressions have the following meanings unless the context otherwise requires:

"voting certificate" means an English language certificate issued by a Paying Agent and dated in which it is stated that the bearer of the voting certificate is entitled to attend and vote at the meeting and any adjourned meeting in respect of the Notes represented by the certificate;

"**block voting instruction**" means an English language document issued by a Paying Agent and dated which:

- (a) relates to a specified nominal amount of Notes and a meeting (or adjourned meeting) of the holders of the Series of which those Notes form part;
- (b) states that the Paying Agent has been instructed (either by the holders of the Notes or by a relevant clearing system) to attend the meeting and procure that the votes attributable to the Notes are cast at the meeting in accordance with the instructions given;
- (c) identifies with regard to each resolution to be proposed at the meeting the nominal amount of Notes in respect of which instructions have been given that the votes attributable to them should be cast in favour of the resolution and the nominal amount of Notes in respect of which instructions have been given that the votes attributable to them should be cast against the resolution; and
- (d) states that one or more named persons (each a proxy) is or are authorised and instructed by the Paying Agent to cast the votes attributable to the Notes identified in accordance with the instructions referred to in (c) above as set out in the block voting instruction;

a "**relevant clearing system**" means, in respect of any Notes represented by a Global Note, any clearing system on behalf of which the Global Note is held or which is the bearer of the Global Note, in either case whether alone or jointly with any other clearing system(s);

"24 hours" means a period of 24 hours including all or part of a day on which banks are open for business both in the place where the meeting is to be held and in each of the places where the Paying Agents have their specified offices (disregarding for this purpose the day on which the meeting is to be held) and that period shall be extended by one period or, to the extent necessary, more periods of 24 hours until there is included all or part of a day on which banks are open for business in all of the places where the Paying Agents have their specified offices; and

"**48 hours**" means a period of 48 hours including all or part of two days on which banks are open for business both in the place where the meeting is to be held and in each of the places where the Paying Agents have their specified offices (disregarding for this purpose the day on which the meeting is to be held) and that period shall be extended

by one period or, to the extent necessary, more periods of 24 hours until there is included all or part of two days on which banks are open for business in all of the places where the Paying Agents have their specified offices.

References in this Schedule to the "**Notes**" are to the Series of Notes in respect of which the meeting is, or is proposed to be, convened.

For the purposes of calculating a period of "**clear days**", no account shall be taken of the day on which a period commences or the day on which a period ends.

# 2. EVIDENCE OF ENTITLEMENT TO ATTEND AND VOTE

- 2.1 The following persons (each an "Eligible Person") are entitled to attend and vote at a meeting of the holders of Notes:
  - (a) a holder of any Notes in definitive bearer form;
  - (b) a bearer of any voting certificate in respect of the Notes; and
  - (c) a proxy specified in any block voting instruction.

A Noteholder may require the issue by any Paying Agent of voting certificates and block voting instructions in accordance with the terms of Clauses 2.2 to 2.5 below.

For the purposes of Clauses 2.2 and 2.5 below, the Agent shall be entitled to rely, without further enquiry, on any information or instructions received from a relevant clearing system and shall have no liability to any Noteholder or other person for any loss, damage, cost, claim or other liability caused by its reliance on those instructions, nor for any failure by a relevant clearing system to deliver information or instructions to the Agent.

The holder of any voting certificate or the proxies named in any block voting instruction shall for all purposes in connection with the meeting or adjourned meeting be deemed to be the holder of the Notes to which the voting certificate or block voting instruction relates and the Paying Agent with which the Notes have been deposited or the person holding the Notes to the order or under the control of any Paying Agent shall be deemed for those purposes not to be the holder of those Notes.

## 2.2 **Definitive Notes - voting certificate**

A holder of a Note in definitive form may obtain a voting certificate in respect of that Note from a Paying Agent (unless the Note is the subject of a block voting instruction which has been issued and is outstanding in respect of the meeting specified in the voting certificate or any adjourned meeting) subject to the holder procuring that the Note is deposited with the Paying Agent or (to the satisfaction of the Paying Agent) is held to its order or under its control or blocked in an account with a relevant clearing system upon terms that the Note will not cease to be deposited or held or blocked until the first to occur of:

(a) the conclusion of the meeting specified in the voting certificate or, if later, of any adjourned meeting; and

(b) the surrender of the voting certificate to the Paying Agent who issued it.

# 2.3 **Global Notes - voting certificate**

A holder of a Note (not being a Note in respect of which instructions have been given to the Agent in accordance with Clause 2.5) represented by a Global Note may procure the delivery of a voting certificate in respect of that Note by giving notice to the relevant clearing system specifying by name a person (an "Identified Person") (which need not be the holder himself) to collect the voting certificate and attend and vote at the meeting. The voting certificate will be made available at or shortly before the start of the meeting by the Agent against presentation by the Identified Person of the form of identification previously notified by the holder to the relevant clearing system. The relevant clearing system may prescribe forms of identification (including, without limitation, passports) which it considers appropriate for these purposes. Subject to receipt by the Agent from the relevant clearing system, no later than 48 hours before the time for which the meeting is convened, of notification of the nominal amount of the Notes to be represented by any voting certificate and the form of identification against presentation of which the voting certificate should be released, the Agent shall, without any obligation to make further enquiry, make available voting certificates against presentation of forms of identification corresponding to those notified.

# 2.4 **Definitive Notes - block voting instruction**

A holder of a Note in definitive form may require a Paying Agent to issue a block voting instruction in respect of that Note (unless the Note is the subject of a voting certificate which has been issued and is outstanding in respect of the meeting specified in the block voting instruction or any adjourned meeting) by depositing the Note with the Paying Agent or (to the satisfaction of the Paying Agent) by:

- (a) procuring that, not less than 48 hours before the time fixed for the meeting, the Note is held to the Paying Agent's order or under its control or is blocked in an account with a relevant clearing system, in each case on terms that the Note will not cease to be so deposited or held or blocked until the first to occur of:
  - (i) the conclusion of the meeting specified in the block voting instruction or, if later, of any adjourned meeting; and
  - (ii) the surrender to the Paying Agent, not less than 48 hours before the time for which the meeting or any adjourned meeting is convened, of the receipt issued by the Paying Agent in respect of each deposited Note which is to be released or (as the case may require) the Note ceasing with the agreement of the Paying Agent to be held to its order or under its control or to be blocked and the giving of notice by the Paying Agent to the Issuer in accordance with Clause 2.5 of the necessary amendment to the block voting instruction; and
- (b) instructing the Paying Agent that the vote(s) attributable to each Note so deposited or held or blocked should be cast in a particular way in relation to the resolution or resolutions to be put to the meeting or any adjourned meeting and that the instruction is, during the period commencing 48 hours before the time for which the meeting or any adjourned meeting is convened and ending at the

conclusion or adjournment of the meeting, neither revocable nor capable of amendment.

# 2.5 **Global Notes - block voting instruction**

- (a) A holder of a Note (not being a Note in respect of which a voting certificate has been issued) represented by a Global Note may require the Agent to issue a block voting instruction in respect of the Note by first instructing the relevant clearing system to procure that the votes attributable to the holder's Note should be cast at the meeting in a particular way in relation to the resolution or resolutions to be put to the meeting. Any such instruction shall be given in accordance with the rules of the relevant clearing system then in effect. Subject to receipt by the Agent, no later than 48 hours before the time for which the meeting is convened, of (i) instructions from the relevant clearing system, (ii) notification of the nominal amount of the Notes in respect of which instructions have been given and (iii) the manner in which the votes attributable to the Notes should be cast, the Agent shall, without any obligation to make further enquiry, attend the meeting and cast votes in accordance with those instructions.
- (b) Each block voting instruction shall be deposited by the relevant Paying Agent at the place specified by the Agent for the purpose not less than 24 hours before the time appointed for holding the meeting or adjourned meeting at which the proxies named in the block voting instruction propose to vote, and in default the block voting instruction shall not be treated as valid unless the Chairman of the meeting decides otherwise before the meeting or adjourned meeting proceeds to business. A notarially certified copy of each block voting instruction shall (if so requested by, and at the expense of, the Issuer) be deposited with the Issuer before the start of the meeting or adjourned meeting but the Issuer shall not as a result be obliged to investigate or be concerned with the validity of or the authority of the proxies named in the block voting instruction.
- (c) Any vote given in accordance with the terms of a block voting instruction shall be valid notwithstanding the previous revocation or amendment of the block voting instruction or of any of the instructions of the relevant Noteholder or the relevant clearing system (as the case may be) pursuant to which it was executed **provided that** no indication in writing of any revocation or amendment has been received from the relevant Paying Agent by the Issuer at its registered office by the time being 24 hours before the time appointed for holding the meeting or adjourned meeting at which the block voting instruction is to be used.

# 3. CONVENING OF MEETINGS, QUORUM, ADJOURNED MEETINGS

3.1 The Issuer may at any time and, if required in writing by Noteholders holding not less than 5 per cent. in nominal amount of the Notes for the time being outstanding, shall convene a meeting of the Noteholders and if the Issuer fails for a period of seven days to convene the meeting the meeting may be convened by the relevant Noteholders. Whenever the Issuer is about to convene any meeting it shall immediately give notice in writing to the Agent and the Dealers of the day, time and place of the meeting and of the nature of the business to be transacted at the meeting. Every meeting shall be held at a time and place approved by the Agent.

- 3.2 At least 21 clear days' notice specifying the place, day and hour of the meeting shall be given to the Noteholders in the manner provided in Condition 15. The notice, which shall be in the English language, shall state generally the nature of the business to be transacted at the meeting and, in the case of an Extraordinary Resolution only, shall either (i) specify the terms of the Extraordinary Resolution to be proposed or (ii) inform Noteholders that the terms of the Extraordinary Resolution are available free of charge from the Agent, provided that, in the case of (ii), such resolution is so available in its final form with effect on and from the date on which the notice convening such meeting is given as aforesaid. The notice shall include statements as to the manner in which Noteholders may arrange for voting certificates or block voting instructions to be issued and, if applicable, appoint proxies or representatives or (ii) inform Noteholders that details of the voting arrangements are available free of charge from the Agent, provided that, in the case of (ii) the final form of such details are so available with effect on and from the date on which the notice convening such meeting is given as aforesaid. A copy of the notice shall be sent by post to the Issuer (unless the meeting is convened by the Issuer).
- 3.3 The person (who may but need not be a Noteholder) nominated in writing by the Issuer shall be entitled to take the chair at each meeting but if no nomination is made or if at any meeting the person nominated is not present within 15 minutes after the time appointed for holding the meeting the Noteholders present shall choose one of their number to be Chairman failing which the Issuer may appoint a Chairman. The Chairman of an adjourned meeting need not be the same person as was Chairman of the meeting from which the adjournment took place.
- 3.4 At any meeting one or more Eligible Persons present and holding or representing in the aggregate not less than 5 per cent. in nominal amount of the Notes for the time being outstanding shall (except for the purpose of passing an Extraordinary Resolution) form a quorum for the transaction of business and no business (other than the choosing of a Chairman) shall be transacted at any meeting unless the required quorum is present at the commencement of business. The quorum at any meeting for passing an Extraordinary Resolution shall (subject as provided below) be one or more Eligible Persons present and holding or representing in the aggregate not less than 50 per cent. in nominal amount of the Notes for the time being outstanding **provided that** at any meeting the business of which includes any of the following matters (each of which shall only be capable of being effected after having been approved by Extraordinary Resolution):
  - (a) modification of the Maturity Date of the Notes or reduction or cancellation of the nominal amount payable at maturity; or
  - (b) reduction or cancellation of the amount payable or modification of the payment date in respect of any interest in respect of the Notes or variation of the method of calculating the rate of interest in respect of the Notes; or
  - (c) reduction of any Minimum Rate of Interest and/or Maximum Rate of Interest specified in the applicable Final Terms; or
  - (d) modification of the currency in which payments under the Notes are to be made; or

- (e) modification of the majority required to pass an Extraordinary Resolution; or
- (f) the sanctioning of any scheme or proposal described in paragraph (f) of Clause 4.9; or
- (g) alteration of this proviso or the proviso to Clause 3.5 below,

the quorum shall be one or more Eligible Persons present and holding or representing in the aggregate not less than two-thirds in nominal amount of the Notes for the time being outstanding.

- 3.5 If within 15 minutes (or such longer period not exceeding 30 minutes as the Chairman may decide) after the time appointed for any meeting a quorum is not present for the transaction of any particular business, then, subject and without prejudice to the transaction of the business (if any) for which a quorum is present, the meeting shall if convened by Noteholders be dissolved. In any other case it shall be adjourned to the same day in the next week (or if that day is a public holiday the next following business day) at the same time and place (except in the case of a meeting at which an Extraordinary Resolution is to be proposed in which case it shall be adjourned for a period being not less than 14 clear days nor more than 42 clear days and at a place appointed by the Chairman and approved by the Agent). If within 15 minutes (or a longer period not exceeding 30 minutes as the Chairman may decide) after the time appointed for any adjourned meeting a quorum is not present for the transaction of any particular business, then, subject and without prejudice to the transaction of the business (if any) for which a quorum is present, the Chairman may either dissolve the meeting or adjourn it for a period, being not less than 14 clear days (but without any maximum number of clear days) and to a place as may be appointed by the Chairman (either at or after the adjourned meeting) and approved by the Agent, and the provisions of this sentence shall apply to all further adjourned meetings.
- 3.6 At any adjourned meeting one or more Eligible Persons present (whatever the nominal amount of the Notes so held or represented by them) shall (subject as provided below) form a quorum and shall (subject as provided below) have power to pass any Extraordinary Resolution or other resolution and to decide upon all matters which could properly have been dealt with at the meeting from which the adjournment took place had the required quorum been present **provided that** at any adjourned meeting the business of which includes any of the matters specified in the proviso to Clause 3.4 the quorum shall be one or more Eligible Persons present and holding or representing in the aggregate not less than one-third in nominal amount of the Notes for the time being outstanding.
- 3.7 Notice of any adjourned meeting at which an Extraordinary Resolution is to be submitted shall be given in the same manner as notice of an original meeting but as if 10 were substituted for 21 in Clause 3.2 and the notice shall state the relevant quorum. Subject to this it shall not be necessary to give any notice of an adjourned meeting.

# 4. CONDUCT OF BUSINESS AT MEETINGS

4.1 Every question submitted to a meeting shall be decided in the first instance by a show of hands and in the case of an equality of votes the Chairman shall both on a show of

hands and on a poll have a casting vote in addition to the vote or votes (if any) to which he may be entitled as an Eligible Person.

- 4.2 At any meeting, unless a poll is (before or on the declaration of the result of the show of hands) demanded by the Chairman or the Issuer or by any Eligible Person present (whatever the nominal amount of the Notes held by him), a declaration by the Chairman that a resolution has been carried or carried by a particular majority or lost or not carried by a particular majority shall be conclusive evidence of the fact without proof of the number or proportion of the votes recorded in favour of or against the resolution.
- 4.3 Subject to Clause 4.5, if at any meeting a poll is demanded it shall be taken in the manner and, subject as provided below, either at once or after an adjournment as the Chairman may direct and the result of the poll shall be deemed to be the resolution of the meeting at which the poll was demanded as at the date of the taking of the poll. The demand for a poll shall not prevent the continuance of the meeting for the transaction of any business other than the motion on which the poll has been demanded.
- 4.4 The Chairman may, with the consent of (and shall if directed by) any meeting, adjourn the meeting from time to time and from place to place. No business shall be transacted at any adjourned meeting except business which might lawfully (but for lack of required quorum) have been transacted at the meeting from which the adjournment took place.
- 4.5 Any poll demanded at any meeting on the election of a Chairman or on any question of adjournment shall be taken at the meeting without adjournment.
- 4.6 Any director or officer of the Issuer and its lawyers and financial advisers may attend and speak at any meeting. Subject to this, but without prejudice to the proviso to the definition of "**outstanding**" in Clause 1 (*Definitions and Interpretation*) of this Agreement, no person shall be entitled to attend and speak nor shall any person be entitled to vote at any meeting of the Noteholders or join with others in requiring the convening of a meeting unless he is an Eligible Person. No person shall be entitled to vote at any meeting in respect of Notes held by, for the benefit of, or on behalf of the Issuer or any Subsidiary of the Issuer. Nothing contained in this paragraph shall prevent any of the proxies named in any block voting instruction from being a director, officer or representative of or otherwise connected with the Issuer.
- 4.7 Subject as provided in Clause 4.6, at any meeting:
  - (a) on a show of hands every Eligible Person present shall have one vote; and
  - (b) on a poll every Eligible Person present shall have one vote in respect of:
    - (i) in the case of a meeting of the holders of Notes all of which are denominated in a single currency, each minimum integral amount of that currency; and
    - (ii) in the case of a meeting of the holders of Notes denominated in more than one currency, each €1.00 or, in the case of a Note denominated in a currency other than euro, the equivalent of €1.00 in that currency (calculated as specified in Clause 0),

or such other amount as the Agent shall in its absolute discretion specify in nominal amount of Notes in respect of which he is an Eligible Person.

Without prejudice to the obligations of the proxies named in any block voting instruction, any person entitled to more than one vote need not use all his votes or cast all the votes to which he is entitled in the same way.

- 4.8 The proxies named in any block voting instruction need not be Noteholders.
- 4.9 A meeting of the Noteholders shall in addition to the powers set out above have the following powers exercisable only by Extraordinary Resolution (subject to the provisions relating to quorum contained in Clauses 3.4 and 3.6), namely:
  - (a) power to approve any compromise or arrangement proposed to be made between the Issuer and the Noteholders, Receiptholders and Couponholders or any of them;
  - (b) power to approve any abrogation, modification, compromise or arrangement in respect of the rights of the Noteholders, Receiptholders and Couponholders against the Issuer or against any of its property whether these rights arise under this Agreement, the Notes, the Receipts or the Coupons or otherwise;
  - (c) power to agree to any modification of the provisions contained in this Agreement or the Conditions, the Notes, the Receipts, the Coupons or the Declaration of Direct Rights, executed by the Issuer on 29 June 2021 in respect of the Notes, which is proposed by the Issuer;
  - (d) power to give any authority or approval which under the provisions of this Schedule or the Notes is required to be given by Extraordinary Resolution;
  - (e) power to appoint any persons (whether Noteholders or not) as a committee or committees to represent the interests of the Noteholders and to confer upon any committee or committees any powers or discretions which the Noteholders could themselves exercise by Extraordinary Resolution;
  - (f) power to approve any scheme or proposal for the exchange or sale of the Notes for, or the conversion of the Notes into, or the cancellation of the Notes in consideration of, shares, stock, notes, bonds, debentures, debenture stock and/or other obligations and/or securities of the Issuer or any other company formed or to be formed, or for or into or in consideration of cash, or partly for or into or in consideration of shares, stock, notes, bonds, debentures, debenture stock and/or other obligations and/or securities as stated above and partly for or into or in consideration of cash; and
  - (g) power to approve the substitution of any entity in place of the Issuer (or any previous substitute) as the principal debtor in respect of the Notes, the Receipts and the Coupons.
- 4.10 Any resolution passed at a meeting of the Noteholders duly convened and held in accordance with the provisions of this Schedule shall be binding upon all the Noteholders whether present or not present at the meeting and whether or not voting and upon all Couponholders and Receiptholders and each of them shall be bound to

give effect to the resolution accordingly and the passing of any resolution shall be conclusive evidence that the circumstances justify its passing. Notice of the result of voting on any resolution duly considered by the Noteholders shall be published in accordance with Condition 14 by the Issuer within 14 days of the result being known **provided that** non-publication shall not invalidate the resolution.

- 4.11 The expression "**Extraordinary Resolution**" when used in this Schedule means (a) a resolution passed at a meeting of the Noteholders duly convened and held in accordance with the provisions of this Schedule by a majority consisting of not less than 75 per cent. of the persons voting on the resolution upon a show of hands or, if a poll was duly demanded, by a majority consisting of not less than 75 per cent. of the votes given on the poll or (b) a resolution in writing signed by or on behalf of all the Noteholders, which resolution in writing may be contained in one document or in several documents in similar form each signed by or on behalf of one or more of the Noteholders.
- 4.12 Minutes of all resolutions and proceedings at every meeting shall be made and duly entered in books to be from time to time provided for that purpose by the Issuer and any minutes signed by the Chairman of the meeting at which any resolution was passed or proceedings had shall be conclusive evidence of the matters contained in them and, until the contrary is proved, every meeting in respect of the proceedings of which minutes have been made shall be deemed to have been duly held and convened and all resolutions passed or proceedings had at the meeting to have been duly passed or had.
- 4.13 Subject to all other provisions contained in this Schedule the Agent may without the consent of the Issuer, the Noteholders, the Receiptholders or the Couponholders prescribe any other regulations regarding the calling and/or the holding of meetings of Noteholders and attendance and voting at them as the Agent may in its sole discretion think fit (including, without limitation, the substitution for periods of 24 hours and 48 hours referred to in this Schedule of shorter periods). Any regulations prescribed by the Agent may but need not reflect the practices and facilities of any relevant clearing system. Notice of any other regulations may be given to Noteholders in accordance with Condition 14 and/or at the time of service of any notice convening a meeting.

## 4.14

- (a) If and whenever the Issuer has issued and has outstanding Notes of more than one Series the previous provisions of this Schedule shall have effect subject to the following changes:
  - a resolution which affects the Notes of only one Series shall be deemed to have been duly passed if passed at a separate meeting of the holders of the Notes of that Series;
  - a resolution which affects the Notes of more than one Series but does not give rise to a conflict of interest between the holders of Notes of any of the Series so affected shall be deemed to have been duly passed if passed at a single meeting of the holders of the Notes of all the Series so affected;
  - (iii) a resolution which affects the Notes of more than one Series and gives or may give rise to a conflict of interest between the holders of the Notes

of one Series or group of Series so affected and the holders of the Notes of another Series or group of Series so affected shall be deemed to have been duly passed only if it is duly passed at separate meetings of the holders of the Notes of each Series or group of Series so affected; and

- (iv) to all such meetings all the preceding provisions of this Schedule shall mutatis mutandis apply as though references therein to Notes, Noteholders and holders were references to the Notes of the Series or group of Series in question or to the holders of such Notes, as the case may be.
- (b) If the Issuer has issued and has outstanding Notes which are not denominated in euro, or in the case of any meeting of holders of Notes of more than one currency, the nominal amount of such Notes shall:
  - (i) for the purposes of Clause 3.1 above, be the equivalent in euro at the spot rate of a bank nominated by the Agent for the conversion of the relevant currency or currencies into euro on the seventh dealing day before the day on which the written requirement to call the meeting is received by the Issuer; and
  - (ii) for the purposes of Clauses 3.4, 3.6 and 4.7 above (whether in respect of the meeting or any adjourned meeting or any poll), be the equivalent at that spot rate on the seventh dealing day before the day of the meeting,

and, in all cases, the equivalent in euro of Zero Coupon Notes or any other Notes issued at a discount or a premium shall be calculated by reference to the original nominal amount of those Notes.

In the circumstances set out above, on any poll each person present shall have one vote for each  $\notin 1.00$  in nominal amount of the Notes (converted as above) which he holds or represents.

## SCHEDULE 4 FORMS OF GLOBAL AND DEFINITIVE NOTES, RECEIPTS, AND COUPONS AND TALONS

# PART A

# **OF SCHEDULE 4**

# ANY UNITED STATES PERSON WHO HOLDS THIS OBLIGATION WILL BE SUBJECT TO LIMITATIONS UNDER THE UNITED STATES INCOME TAX LAWS INCLUDING THE LIMITATIONS PROVIDED IN SECTIONS 165(j) AND 1287(a) OF THE INTERNAL REVENUE CODE.

## RINGKJØBING LANDBOBANK AKTIESELSKAB

# TEMPORARY GLOBAL NOTE

ISIN Number*:	Series Number*:	

This Global Note is a Temporary Global Note in respect of a duly authorised issue of Notes (the "**Notes**") of Ringkjøbing Landbobank Aktieselskab (the "**Issuer**") described, and having the provisions specified, in Part A of the attached Final Terms (the "**Final Terms**"). References in this Global Note to the Conditions shall be to the Terms and Conditions of the Notes as set out in Schedule 2 to the Agency Agreement (as defined below) as modified and supplemented by the information set out in the Final Terms, but in the event of any conflict between the provisions of (a) that Schedule or (b) this Global Note and the information set out in the Final Terms, the Final Terms will prevail.

Words and expressions defined or set out in the Conditions and/or the Final Terms shall have the same meaning when used in this Global Note.

This Global Note is issued subject to, and with the benefit of, the Conditions and an Agency Agreement (the "Agency Agreement", which expression shall be construed as a reference to that agreement as the same may be amended, supplemented, novated or restated from time to time) dated 28 June 2022 and made between the Issuer, BNP Paribas Securities Services, Luxembourg Branch (the "Agent") and the other agents named in it.

For value received the Issuer, subject to and in accordance with the Conditions, promises to pay to the bearer of this Global Note on each Instalment Date (if the Notes are repayable in instalments) and on the Maturity Date [(if any)] and/or on such earlier date(s) as all or any of the Notes represented by this Global Note may become due and repayable in accordance with the Conditions, the amount payable under the Conditions in respect of the Notes represented by this Global Note and to pay interest (if any) on the nominal amount of the Notes from time to time represented by this Global Note calculated and payable as provided in the Conditions together with any other sums payable under the Conditions, upon (if the Final Terms indicates that this Global Note is not intended to be a New Global Note) presentation and, at maturity, surrender of this Global Note to or to the order of the Agent or any of the other paying agents located outside the United States (except as provided in the Conditions) from

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time to time appointed by the Issuer in respect of the Notes, but in each case subject to the requirements as to certification provided below.

If the Final Terms indicates that this Global Note is intended to be a New Global Note, the nominal amount of Notes represented by this Global Note shall be the aggregate amount from time to time entered in the records of both Euroclear Bank SA/NV and Clearstream Banking, S.A. (together, the "**relevant Clearing Systems**"). The records of the relevant Clearing Systems (which expression in this Global Note means the records that each relevant Clearing System holds for its customers which reflect the amount of such customer's interest in the Notes) shall be conclusive evidence of the nominal amount of Notes represented by this Global Note at any time (which statement shall be made available to the bearer upon request) shall be conclusive evidence of the relevant to the records of the relevant Clearing System at that time.

If the Final Terms indicates that this Global Note is not intended to be a New Global Note, the nominal amount of the Notes represented by this Global Note shall be the aggregate nominal amount stated in the Final Terms or, if lower, the nominal amount most recently entered by or on behalf of the Issuer in the relevant column in Part 2, 3 or 4 of Schedule One or in Schedule Two.

On any redemption or payment of an instalment or interest being made in respect of, or purchase and cancellation of, any of the Notes represented by this Global Note the Issuer shall procure that:

- (a) if the Final Terms indicates that this Global Note is intended to be a New Global Note, details of such redemption, payment or purchase and cancellation (as the case may be) shall be entered *pro rata* in the records of the relevant Clearing Systems and, upon any such entry being made, the nominal amount of the Notes recorded in the records of the relevant Clearing Systems and represented by this Global Note shall be reduced by the aggregate nominal amount of the Notes so redeemed or purchased and cancelled or by the aggregate amount of such instalment so paid; or
- (b) if the Final Terms indicates that this Global Note is not intended to be a New Global Note, details of such redemption, payment or purchase and cancellation (as the case may be) shall be entered by or on behalf of the Issuer in Schedule One and the relevant space in Schedule One recording any such redemption, payment or purchase and cancellation (as the case may be) shall be signed by or on behalf of the Issuer. Upon any such redemption, payment of an instalment or purchase and cancellation, the nominal amount of the Notes represented by this Global Note shall be reduced by the amount of such instalment so paid.

Payments due in respect of Notes for the time being represented by this Global Note shall be made to the bearer of this Global Note and each payment so made will discharge the Issuer's obligations in respect thereof. Any failure to make the entries referred to above shall not affect such discharge.

Prior to the Exchange Date (as defined below), all payments (if any) on this Global Note will only be made to the bearer hereof to the extent that there is presented to the Agent by a relevant Clearing System a certificate to the effect that it has received from or in respect of a person entitled to a particular nominal amount of the Notes (as shown by its records) a certificate of non-US beneficial ownership in the form required by it. The bearer of this Global Note will not be entitled to receive any payment of interest due on or after the Exchange Date unless upon due certification exchange of this Global Note is improperly withheld or refused.

On or after the date (the "**Exchange Date**") which is 40 days after the Issue Date this Global Note may be exchanged in whole or in part (free of charge) for, as specified in the Final Terms, either:

- (a) security printed Definitive Notes and (if applicable) Coupons, Receipts and Talons in the form set out in Part 3, Part 4, Part 5 and Part 6 respectively of Schedule 5 to the Agency Agreement (on the basis that all the appropriate details have been included on the face of such Definitive Notes and (if applicable) Coupons, Receipts and Talons and the Final Terms (or the relevant provisions of the Final Terms) have been endorsed on or attached to such Definitive Notes); or
- (b) either, (i) if the Final Terms indicates that this Global Note is intended to be a New Global Note, interests recorded in the records of the relevant Clearing Systems in a Permanent Global Note or, (ii) if the Final Terms indicates that this Global Note is not intended to be a New Global Note, a Permanent Global Note, which, in either case, is in or substantially in the form set out in Part 2 of Schedule 4 to the Agency Agreement (together with the Final Terms attached to it),

in each case upon notice being given by a relevant Clearing System acting on the instructions of any holder of an interest in this Global Note.

If Definitive Notes and (if applicable) Coupons, Receipts and/or Talons have already been issued in exchange for all the Notes represented for the time being by the Permanent Global Note, then this Global Note may only thereafter be exchanged for Definitive Notes and (if applicable) Coupons, Receipts and/or Talons in accordance with the terms of this Global Note.

This Global Note may be exchanged by the bearer hereof on any day (other than a Saturday or Sunday) on which banks are open for general business in Luxembourg. The Issuer shall procure that, as appropriate, (i) the Definitive Notes or (as the case may be) the Permanent Global Note (where the Final Terms indicates that this Global Note is not intended to be a New Global Note), shall be so issued and delivered, or (ii) the interests in the Permanent Global Note (where the Final Terms indicates that this Global Note is intended to be a New Global Note) shall be recorded in the records of the relevant Clearing System, in each case in exchange for only that portion of this Global Note in respect of which there shall have been presented to the Agent by a relevant Clearing System a certificate to the effect that it has received from or in respect of a person entitled to a beneficial interest in a particular nominal amount of the Notes (as shown by its records) a certificate of non-US beneficial ownership from such person in the form required by it. The aggregate nominal amount of Definitive Notes or interests in a Permanent Global Note issued upon an exchange of this Global Note will, subject to the terms hereof, be equal to the aggregate nominal amount of this Global Note submitted by the bearer for exchange (to the extent that such nominal amount does not exceed the aggregate nominal amount of this Global Note).

On an exchange of the whole of this Global Note, this Global Note shall be surrendered to or to the order of the Agent. On an exchange of part only of this Global Note, the Issuer shall procure that:

- (a) if the Final Terms indicates that this Global Note is intended to be a New Global Note, details of such exchange shall be entered *pro rata* in the records of the relevant Clearing Systems; or
- (b) if the Final Terms indicates that this Global Note is not intended to be a New Global Note, details of such exchange shall be entered by or on behalf of the Issuer in Schedule Two and the relevant space in Schedule Two recording such exchange shall be signed by or on behalf of the Issuer, whereupon the nominal amount of this Global Note and the Notes represented by this Global Note shall be reduced by the nominal amount so exchanged. On any exchange of this Global Note for a Permanent Global Note, details of such exchange shall also be entered by or on behalf of the Issuer in Schedule Two to the Permanent Global Note and the relevant space in Schedule Two to the Permanent Global Note exchange shall be signed by or on behalf of the Issuer.

Until the exchange of the whole of this Global Note, the bearer of this Global Note shall in all respects (except as otherwise provided in this Global Note) be entitled to the same benefits as if he were the bearer of Definitive Notes and the relative Coupons, Receipts and/or Talons (if any) represented by this Global Note. Accordingly, except as ordered by a court of competent jurisdiction or as required by law or applicable regulation, the Issuer and any Paying Agent may deem and treat the holder of this Global Note as the absolute owner of this Global Note for all purposes.

In the event that this Global Note (or any part of it) has become due and repayable in accordance with the Conditions or that the Maturity Date [(if any)] has occurred and, in either case, payment in full of the amount due has not been made to the bearer in accordance with the provisions set out above then this Global Note will become void at 8.00 p.m. (Luxembourg time) on such day and the bearer will have no further rights under this Global Note (but without prejudice to the rights which the bearer or any other person may have under the Declaration of Direct Rights executed by the Issuer on 29 June 2021 in respect of the Notes).

This Global Note is governed by, and shall be construed in accordance with, Danish law. Any legal action relating to this Global Note shall be brought before the courts of Denmark.

This Global Note shall not be valid unless authenticated by the Agent and, if the Final Terms indicates that this Global Note is intended to be held in a manner which would allow Eurosystem eligibility, effectuated by the entity appointed as common safe-keeper by the relevant Clearing Systems.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF** the Issuer has caused this Global Note to be duly executed on its behalf.

# RINGKJØBING LANDBOBANK AKTIESELSKAB

By:

Authenticated without recourse, warranty or liability by

# BNP PARIBAS SECURITIES SERVICES, LUXEMBOURG BRANCH, acting as Agent

By:

Issued on the Issue Date.

Effectuated without recourse, warranty or liability by

as common safekeeper

By:

## SCHEDULE ONE TO THE TEMPORARY GLOBAL NOTE<sup>1</sup>

# PART B INTEREST PAYMENTS

Date	Total amount of	Amount of interest	<b>Confirmation of payment</b>
made	interest payable	paid	on behalf of the Issuer

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Schedule One should only be completed where the applicable Final Terms indicates that this Global Note is not intended to be a New Global Note.

# PART C PAYMENT OF INSTALMENT AMOUNTS

		Remaining		
			nominal amount of	Confirmation
	Total amount of	Amount of	this Global Note	of payment on
Date	Instalment	Instalment	following such	behalf of the
made	Amounts payable	Amounts paid	payment*	Issuer

<sup>\*</sup> See the most recent entry in Part 2, 3 or 4 of Schedule One or in Schedule Two in order to determine this amount.

# PART D REDEMPTIONS

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<sup>\*</sup> See the most recent entry in Part 2, 3 or 4 of Schedule One or in Schedule Two in order to determine this amount.

# PART E PURCHASES AND CANCELLATIONS

	Part of nominal	<b>Remaining nominal</b>	<b>Confirmation of</b>
	amount	amount of this Global	purchase
	of this Global Note	Note following such	and cancellation on
Date	purchased and	purchase and	behalf
made	cancelled	cancellation*	of the Issuer

<sup>\*</sup> See the most recent entry in Part 2, 3 or 4 of Schedule One or in Schedule Two in order to determine this amount.

## SCHEDULE TWO TO THE TEMPORARY GLOBAL NOTE<sup>2</sup>

# EXCHANGES

# FOR DEFINITIVE NOTES OR PERMANENT GLOBAL NOTE

The following exchanges of a part of this Global Note for Definitive Notes or a Permanent Global Note have been made:

	Nominal amount of this		
	Global Note exchanged	<b>Remaining nominal</b>	
	for Definitive Notes or	amount of this Global	Notation made on
Date	a Permanent Global	Note following such	behalf
made	Note	exchange*	of the Issuer

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Schedule Two should only be completed where the applicable Final Terms indicates that this Global Note is not intended to be a New Global Note.

<sup>\*</sup> See the most recent entry in Part 2, 3 or 4 of Schedule One or in Schedule Two in order to determine this amount.

# PART 2 OF SCHEDULE 4

#### FORM OF PERMANENT GLOBAL NOTE

# ANY UNITED STATES PERSON WHO HOLDS THIS OBLIGATION WILL BE SUBJECT TO LIMITATIONS UNDER THE UNITED STATES INCOME TAX LAWS INCLUDING THE LIMITATIONS PROVIDED IN SECTIONS 165(j) AND 1287(a) OF THE INTERNAL REVENUE CODE.

#### RINGKJØBING LANDBOBANK AKTIESELSKAB

#### PERMANENT GLOBAL NOTE

ISIN Number*:	Series Number*:	

This Global Note is a Permanent Global Note in respect of a duly authorised issue of Notes (the "**Notes**") of Ringkjøbing Landbobank Aktieselskab (the "**Issuer**") described, and having the provisions specified, in Part A of the attached Final Terms (the "**Final Terms**"). References in this Global Note to the Conditions shall be to the Terms and Conditions of the Notes as set out in Schedule 2 to the Agency Agreement (as defined below) as modified and supplemented by the information set out in the Final Terms, but in the event of any conflict between the provisions of (a) that Schedule or (b) this Global Note and the information set out in the Final Terms, the Final Terms will prevail.

Words and expressions defined or set out in the Conditions and/or the Final Terms shall have the same meaning when used in this Global Note.

This Global Note is issued subject to, and with the benefit of, the Conditions and an Agency Agreement (the "Agency Agreement", which expression shall be construed as a reference to that agreement as the same may be amended, supplemented, novated or restated from time to time) dated 28 June 2022 and made between the Issuer, BNP Paribas Securities Services, Luxembourg Branch (the "Agent") and the other agents named in it.

For value received the Issuer, subject to and in accordance with the Conditions, promises to pay to the bearer of this Global Note on each Instalment Date (if the Notes are repayable in instalments) and on the Maturity Date and/or on such earlier date(s) as all or any of the Notes represented by this Global Note may become due and repayable in accordance with the Conditions, the amount payable under the Conditions in respect of the Notes represented by this Global Note on each such date and to pay interest (if any) on the nominal amount of the Notes from time to time represented by this Global Note calculated and payable as provided in the Conditions together with any other sums payable under the Conditions, upon (if the Final Terms indicates that this Global Note is not intended to be a New Global Note) presentation and, at maturity, surrender of this Global Note to or to the order of the Agent or any of the other paying agents located outside the United States (except as provided in the Conditions) from time to time appointed by the Issuer in respect of the Notes.

<sup>\*</sup> 

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If the Final Terms indicates that this Global Note is intended to be a New Global Note, the nominal amount of Notes represented by this Global Note shall be the aggregate amount from time to time entered in the records of both Euroclear Bank SA/NV and Clearstream Banking, S.A. (together, the "**relevant Clearing Systems**"). The records of the relevant Clearing Systems (which expression in this Global Note means the records that each relevant Clearing System holds for its customers which reflect the amount of such customer's interest in the Notes) shall be conclusive evidence of the nominal amount of Notes represented by this Global Note at any time (which statement shall be made available to the bearer upon request) shall be conclusive evidence of the records of the relevant Clearing System at that time.

If the Final Terms indicates that this Global Note is not intended to be a New Global Note, the nominal amount of the Notes represented by this Global Note shall be the aggregate nominal amount stated in the Final Terms or, if lower, the nominal amount most recently entered by or on behalf of the Issuer in the relevant column in Part 2, 3 or 4 of Schedule One or in Schedule Two.

On any redemption or payment of an instalment or interest being made in respect of, or purchase and cancellation of, any of the Notes represented by this Global Note the Issuer shall procure that:

- (i) if the Final Terms indicates that this Global Note is intended to be a New Global Note, details of such redemption, payment or purchase and cancellation (as the case may be) shall be entered pro rata in the records of the relevant Clearing Systems and, upon any such entry being made, the nominal amount of the Notes recorded in the records of the relevant Clearing Systems and represented by this Global Note shall be reduced by the aggregate nominal amount of the Notes so redeemed or purchased and cancelled or by the aggregate amount of such instalment so paid; or
- (ii) if the Final Terms indicates that this Global Note is not intended to be a New Global Note, details of such redemption, payment or purchase and cancellation (as the case may be) shall be entered by or on behalf of the Issuer in Schedule One and the relevant space in Schedule One recording any such redemption, payment or purchase and cancellation (as the case may be) shall be signed by or on behalf of the Issuer. Upon any such redemption, payment of an instalment or purchase and cancellation, the nominal amount of the Notes represented by this Global Note shall be reduced by the amount of such instalment so paid.

Payments due in respect of Notes for the time being represented by this Global Note shall be made to the bearer of this Global Note and each payment so made will discharge the Issuer's obligations in respect thereof. Any failure to make the entries referred to above shall not affect such discharge.

Where the Notes have initially been represented by one or more Temporary Global Notes, on any exchange of any such Temporary Global Note for this Global Note or any part of it:

(i) the Issuer shall procure that if the Final Terms indicates that this Global Note is intended to be a New Global Note, details of such exchange shall be entered in the records of the relevant Clearing Systems; or (ii) if the Final Terms indicates that this Global Note is not intended to be a New Global Note, details of such exchange shall be entered by or on behalf of the Issuer in Schedule Two and the relevant space in Schedule Two recording any such exchange shall be signed by or on behalf of the Issuer whereupon the nominal amount of the Notes represented by this Global Note shall be increased by the nominal amount of any such Temporary Global Note so exchanged.

In certain circumstances further notes may be issued which are intended on issue to be consolidated and form a single Series with the Notes. In such circumstances the Issuer shall procure that:

- (i) if the Final Terms indicates that this Global Note is intended to be a New Global Note, details of such further notes shall be entered in the records of the relevant Clearing Systems such that the nominal amount of Notes represented by this Global Note shall be increased by the amount of such further notes so issued; or
- (ii) if the Final Terms indicates that this Global Note is not intended to be a New Global Note, details of such further notes shall be entered by or on behalf of the Issuer in Schedule Two and the relevant space in Schedule Two recording such further notes shall be signed by or on behalf of the Issuer, whereupon the nominal amount of the Notes represented by this Global Note shall be increased by the nominal amount of any such further notes so issued.

This Global Note may be exchanged in whole but not in part (free of charge) for security printed Definitive Notes and (if applicable) Coupons, Receipts and/or Talons in the form set out in Part 3, Part 4, Part 5 and Part 6 respectively of Schedule 4 to the Agency Agreement (on the basis that all the appropriate details have been included on the face of such Definitive Notes and (if applicable) Coupons, Receipts and Talons and the Final Terms (or the relevant provisions of the Final Terms) have been endorsed on or attached to such Definitive Notes) either, as specified in the Final Terms:

- (a) upon not less than 60 days' written notice being given to the Agent by Euroclear and/or Clearstream, Luxembourg acting on the instructions of any holder of an interest in this Global Note; or
- (b) only upon the occurrence of an Exchange Event; or
- (c) at any time at the request of the Issuer.

# An "Exchange Event" means:

- (i) an Event of Default (as defined in Condition 10) has occurred and is continuing; or
- (ii) the Issuer has been notified that both the relevant Clearing Systems have been closed for business for a continuous period of 14 days (other than by reason of holiday, statutory or otherwise) or have announced an intention permanently to cease business or have in fact done so and no successor clearing system is available; or

(iii) the Issuer has or will become subject to adverse tax consequences which would not be suffered were the Notes represented by this Global Note in definitive form.

If this Global Note is only exchangeable following the occurrence of an Exchange Event:

- (A) the Issuer will promptly give notice to Noteholders in accordance with Condition 14 upon the occurrence of an Exchange Event; and
- (B) in the event of the occurrence of any Exchange Event, one or more of the relevant Clearing Systems acting on the instructions of any holder of an interest in this Global Note may give notice to the Agent requesting exchange and, in the event of the occurrence of an Exchange Event as described in (iii) above, the Issuer may also give notice to the Agent requesting exchange.

Any such exchange shall occur no later than 45 days after the date of receipt of the first relevant notice by the Agent and will be made on any day (other than a Saturday or Sunday) on which banks are open for general business in Luxembourg. On an exchange of this Global Note, this Global Note shall be surrendered to or to the order of the Agent. The aggregate nominal amount of Definitive Notes issued upon an exchange of this Global Note will be equal to the aggregate nominal amount of this Global Note at the time of such exchange.

Until the exchange of this Global Note, the bearer of this Global Note shall in all respects (except as otherwise provided in this Global Note) be entitled to the same benefits as if he were the bearer of Definitive Notes and the relative Coupons, Receipts and/or Talons (if any) represented by this Global Note. Accordingly, except as ordered by a court of competent jurisdiction or as required by law or applicable regulation, the Issuer and any Paying Agent may deem and treat the holder of this Global Note as the absolute owner of this Global Note for all purposes.

In the event that this Global Note (or any part of it) has become due and repayable in accordance with the Conditions or that the Maturity Date has occurred and, in either case, payment in full of the amount due has not been made to the bearer in accordance with the provisions set out above then this Global Note will become void at 8.00 p.m. (Luxembourg time) on such day and the bearer will have no further rights under this Global Note (but without prejudice to the rights which the bearer or any other person may have under the Declaration of Direct Rights executed by the Issuer on 29 June 2021 in respect of the Notes).

This Global Note is governed by, and shall be construed in accordance with, Danish law. Any legal action relating to this Global Note shall be brought before the courts of Denmark.

This Global Note shall not be valid unless authenticated by the Agent and, if the Final Terms indicates that this Global Note is intended to be held in a manner which would allow Eurosystem eligibility, effectuated by the entity appointed as common safekeeper by the relevant Clearing Systems.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF** the Issuer has caused this Global Note to be duly executed on its behalf.

# RINGKJØBING LANDBOBANK AKTIESELSKAB

By: .....

Authenticated without recourse, warranty or liability by

# BNP PARIBAS SECURITIES SERVICES, LUXEMBOURG BRANCH, acting as Agent

By: ..... Issued on the Issue Date.

Effectuated without recourse, warranty or liability by

as common safekeeper

By:

## SCHEDULE ONE TO THE PERMANENT GLOBAL NOTE<sup>3</sup>

# PART 1 INTEREST PAYMENTS

			Confirmation of
	Total amount of	Amount of interest	payment on behalf of
Date made	interest payable	paid	the Issuer

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Schedule One should only be completed where the applicable Final Terms indicates that this Global Note is not intended to be a New Global Note.

### PART 2 PAYMENT OF INSTALMENT AMOUNTS

			Remaining	
	Total amount of		nominal amount	Confirmation
	Instalment	Amount of	of this Global	of payment on
Date	Amounts	Instalment	Note following	behalf of the
made	payable	Amounts paid	such payment*	Issuer

<sup>\*</sup> See the most recent entry in Part 2, 3 or 4 of Schedule One or in Schedule Two in order to determine this amount.

# PART 3 REDEMPTIONS

			Remaining nominal amount	Confirmation of
	Total amount of principal	Amount of	of this Global Note following	redemption on behalf of the
Date made	payable	principal paid	such redemption*	Issuer

<sup>\*</sup> See the most recent entry in Part 2, 3 or 4 of Schedule One or in Schedule Two in order to determine this amount.

### PART 4 PURCHASES AND CANCELLATIONS

		<b>Remaining nominal</b>	<b>Confirmation of</b>
	Part of nominal	amount of this Global	purchase
	amount of this Global	Note following such	and cancellation on
Date	Note purchased and	purchase and	behalf
made	cancelled	cancellation*	of the Issuer

<sup>\*</sup> See the most recent entry in Part 2, 3 or 4 of Schedule One or in Schedule Two in order to determine this amount.

### SCHEDULE TWO TO THE PERMANENT GLOBAL NOTE<sup>4</sup>

# SCHEDULE OF EXCHANGES AND ISSUES OF FURTHER NOTES

The following exchanges or issues of further notes affecting the nominal amount of this Global Note have been made:

	Nominal amount of		
	Temporary Global		
	Note exchanged for	Remaining nominal	
	this	amount of this Global	
	<b>Global Note or</b>	Note following such	Notation made on
Date	nominal amount of	exchange or further	behalf
made	further notes issued	notes issued*	of the Issuer
made	further notes issued	notes issued*	of the Issuer

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Schedule Two should only be completed where the applicable Final Terms indicates that this Global Note is not intended to be a New Global Note.

<sup>\*</sup> See the most recent entry in Part 2, 3 or 4 of Schedule One or in Schedule Two in order to determine this amount.

## PART 3 OF SCHEDULE 4

### FORM OF DEFINITIVE NOTE

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## [ANY UNITED STATES PERSON WHO HOLDS THIS OBLIGATION WILL BE SUBJECT TO LIMITATIONS UNDER THE UNITED STATES INCOME TAX LAWS, INCLUDING THE LIMITATIONS PROVIDED IN SECTIONS 165(j) AND 1287(a) OF THE INTERNAL REVENUE CODE.]\*

### RINGKJØBING LANDBOBANK AKTIESELSKAB

[Specified Currency and Nominal Amount of Tranche] Notes Due [Year of Maturity]

This Note is one of a duly authorised issue of Notes denominated in the Specified Currency (the "**Notes**") of Ringkjøbing Landbobank Aktieselskab (the "**Issuer**"). References in this Note to the Conditions shall be to the Terms and Conditions [endorsed on this Note/attached to this Note/set out in Schedule 2 to the Agency Agreement (as defined below) which shall be incorporated by reference in this Note and have effect as if set out in it] as modified and supplemented by Part A of the Final Terms (the "**Final Terms**") (or the relevant provisions of the Final Terms) endorsed on this Note but, in the event of any conflict between the provisions of the Conditions and the information in the Final Terms, the Final Terms will prevail.

This Note is issued subject to, and with the benefit of, the Conditions and an Agency Agreement (the "Agency Agreement", which expression shall be construed as a reference to that agreement as the same may be amended, supplemented, novated or restated from time to time) dated 28 June 2022 and made between the Issuer, BNP Paribas Securities Services, Luxembourg Branch (the "Agent") and the other agents named in it.

For value received, the Issuer, subject to and in accordance with the Conditions, promises to pay to the bearer of this Note [on each Instalment Date and] on the Maturity Date and/or on such earlier date(s) as this Note may become due and repayable in accordance with the Conditions, the amount payable under the Conditions in respect of this Note on each such date and to pay interest (if any) on this Note calculated and payable as provided in the Conditions together with any other sums payable under the Conditions.

This Note shall not be validly issued unless authenticated by the Agent.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF the Issuer has caused this Note to be duly executed on its behalf.

### RINGKJØBING LANDBOBANK AKTIESELSKAB

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This legend can be deleted if the Notes have an initial maturity of 365 days or less.

Ву: .....

Authenticated without recourse, warranty or liability by

**BNP PARIBAS SECURITIES SERVICES, LUXEMBOURG BRANCH,** acting as Agent

By:

# **Terms and Conditions**

[Terms and Conditions to be as set out in to the Agency Agreement]

# **Final Terms**

[The text of the Final Terms relating to the Notes may be set out here]

### PART 4 OF SCHEDULE 4

# FORM OF COUPON

[Face of Coupon]

### RINGKJØBING LANDBOBANK AKTIESELSKAB

[Specified Currency and Nominal Amount of Tranche] Notes Due [Year of Maturity]

# For Fixed Rate Notes:

This Coupon is payable to bearer, separately	Coupon for
negotiable and subject to the Terms and	[]
Conditions of the Notes to which it	due on
appertains.	[]

### **For Floating Rate Notes:**

Coupon for the amount due in accordance Coupon				
with the Terms and Conditions of the Notes	due in			
to which it appertains on the Interest	[]			
Payment Date falling in [ ].				

This Coupon is payable to bearer, separately negotiable and subject to such Terms and Conditions, under which it may become void before its due date.

ANY UNITED STATES PERSON WHO HOLDS THIS OBLIGATION WILL BE SUBJECT TO LIMITATIONS UNDER THE UNITED STATES INCOME TAX LAWS, INCLUDING THE LIMITATIONS PROVIDED IN SECTIONS 165(j) AND 1287(a) OF THE INTERNAL REVENUE CODE.\*

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This legend can be deleted if the Notes have an initial maturity of 365 days or less.

## PART 5 OF SCHEDULE 4

# FORM OF RECEIPT

[Face of Talon]

# ANY UNITED STATES PERSON WHO HOLDS THIS OBLIGATION WILL BE SUBJECT TO LIMITATIONS UNDER THE UNITED STATES INCOME TAX LAWS, INCLUDING THE LIMITATIONS PROVIDED IN SECTIONS 165(j) AND 1287(a) OF THE INTERNAL REVENUE CODE.

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#### [Specified Currency and Nominal Amount of Tranche] Notes Due [Year of Maturity]

### Series No. []

Receipt for the sum of [•] being the instalment of principal payable in accordance with the Terms and Conditions endorsed on the Note to which this Receipt appertains (the "**Conditions**") on [•].

This Receipt is issued subject to and in accordance with the Conditions which shall be binding upon the holder of this Receipt (whether or not it is for the time being attached to the Note) and is payable at the specified office of any of the Paying Agents set out on the reverse of the Note to which this Receipt appertains (and/or any other or further Paying Agents and/or specified offices as may from time to time be duly appointed and notified to the Noteholders).

This Receipt must be presented for payment together with the Note to which it appertains. The Issuer shall have no obligation in respect of any Receipt presented without the Note to which it appertains or any unmatured Receipts.

# RINGKJØBING LANDBOBANK AKTIESELSKAB

By: .....

### PART 6 OF SCHEDULE 4

# FORM OF TALON

[Face of Talon]

# ANY UNITED STATES PERSON WHO HOLDS THIS OBLIGATION WILL BE SUBJECT TO LIMITATIONS UNDER THE UNITED STATES INCOME TAX LAWS, INCLUDING THE LIMITATIONS PROVIDED IN SECTIONS 165(j) AND 1287(a) OF THE INTERNAL REVENUE CODE.

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#### [Specified Currency and Nominal Amount of Tranche] Notes Due [Year of Maturity]

#### Series No. []

On and after [] further Coupons [and a further Talon] appertaining to the Note to which this Talon appertains will be issued at the specified office of any of the Paying Agents set out on the reverse hereof (and/or any other or further Paying Agents and/or specified offices as may from time to time be duly appointed and notified to the Noteholders) upon production and surrender of this Talon.

This Talon may, in certain circumstances, become void under the Terms and Conditions endorsed on the Note to which this Talon appertains.

# RINGKJØBING LANDBOBANK AKTIESELSKAB

Ву: .....

[Reverse of Coupon, Receipts and Talon]

# AGENT

# **BNP** Paribas Securities Services, Luxembourg Branch

## 60, Avenue J.F. Kennedy L-1855 Luxembourg Luxembourg

and/or such other or further Agent or other Paying Agents and/or specified offices as may from time to time be duly appointed by the Issuer and notice of which has been given to the Noteholders.

# SCHEDULE 5 ADDITIONAL DUTIES OF THE AGENT

In relation to each Series of Notes that are NGNs, the Agent will comply with the following provisions:

- 1. The Agent will inform each of Euroclear and Clearstream, Luxembourg (the "ICSDs"), through the common service provider appointed by the ICSDs to service the Notes (the "CSP"), of the initial issue outstanding amount ("IOA") for each Tranche on or prior to the relevant Issue Date.
- 2. If any event occurs that requires a mark up or mark down of the records which an ICSD holds for its customers to reflect such customers' interest in the Notes, the Agent will (to the extent known to it) promptly provide details of the amount of such mark up or mark down, together with a description of the event that requires it, to the ICSDs (through the CSP) to ensure that the IOA of the Notes remains at all times accurate.
- 3. The Agent will at least once every month reconcile its record of the IOA of the Notes with information received from the ICSDs (through the CSP) with respect to the IOA maintained by the ICSDs for the Notes and will promptly inform the ICSDs (through the CSP) of any discrepancies.
- 4. The Agent will promptly assist the ICSDs (through the CSP) in resolving any discrepancy identified in the IOA of the Notes.
- 5. The Agent will promptly provide to the ICSDs (through the CSP) details of all amounts paid by it under the Notes (or, where the Notes provide for delivery of assets other than cash, of the assets so delivered).
- 6. The Agent will (to the extent known to it) promptly provide to the ICSDs (through the CSP) notice of any changes to the Notes that will affect the amount of, or date for, any payment due under the Notes.
- 7. The Agent will (to the extent known to it) promptly provide to the ICSDs (through the CSP) copies of all information that is given to the holders of the Notes.
- 8. The Agent will promptly pass on to the Issuer all communications it receives from the ICSDs directly or through the CSP relating to the Notes.
- 9. The Agent will (to the extent known to it) promptly notify the ICSDs (through the CSP) of any failure by the Issuer to make any payment or delivery due under the Notes when due.

# SCHEDULE 6 SPECIFIED OFFICE OF THE AGENT

# The Agent

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Attention: Corporate Trust Services

### **SIGNATORIES**

This Agreement has been entered into on the date stated at the beginning of this Agreement.

## The Issuer

# RINGKJØBING LANDBOBANK AKTIESELSKAB

By: ..... By: .....

### The Agent

# **BNP PARIBAS SECURITIES SERVICES, LUXEMBOURG BRANCH**

By		By:
	Name:	Name:
	Title:	Title:

#### Note:

Without prejudice to the foregoing execution of this Agreement by the parties to it, BNP Paribas Securities Services, Luxembourg Branch expressly and specifically confirms its agreement with the provisions of Clause 32 (*Governing Law and Submission to Jurisdiction*) of this Agreement for the purposes of Article 1 of the Protocol annexed to the Convention on jurisdiction and the enforcement of judgments in civil and commercial matters signed at Brussels on 27 September 1968.

# **BNP PARIBAS SECURITIES SERVICES, LUXEMBOURG BRANCH**

By		Ву:
	Name:	Name:
	Title:	Title: