

# PRESS RELEASE

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## Regulated information – Ageas announces final stage in the dematerialisation of shares

**Ageas, in accordance with the Act of 14 December 2005, will sell up to 90,000 ageas SA/NV bearer shares, the holders of which are unknown.**

The above Act prescribes that bearer shares be gradually abolished and that these be converted into registered or dematerialised shares.

The sale will take place on Euronext Brussels one month after the publication of this press release. Once the transaction has been completed, Ageas will publish the total number of shares sold and their average selling price.

The net proceeds of the sale will be transferred to the Deposit and Consignment Office (Caisse des dépôts et consignations) in accordance with the statutory requirements.

Ageas shareholders still in possession of bearer share certificates can present these certificates for conversion, exclusively to BNP Paribas Fortis, up to and including 6 July 2015. The shareholders must then approach the Deposit and Consignment Office as from 1 January 2016 to recover the payment for their physical certificates. As prescribed by the above Act, a fine of 10% of this amount will be imposed per year of arrears as from 31 December 2015.

Ageas is an international insurance group with a heritage spanning 190 years. Ranked among the top 20 insurance companies in Europe, Ageas has chosen to concentrate its business activities in Europe and Asia, which together make up the largest share of the global insurance market. These are grouped around four segments: Belgium, United Kingdom, Continental Europe and Asia and served through a combination of wholly owned subsidiaries and partnerships with strong financial institutions and key distributors around the world. Ageas operates successful partnerships in Belgium, the UK, Luxembourg, Italy, Portugal, Turkey, China, Malaysia, India and Thailand and has subsidiaries in France, Hong Kong and the UK. Ageas is the market leader in Belgium for individual life and employee benefits, as well as a leading Non-Life player through AG Insurance. In the UK, Ageas is the sixth largest Non-Life insurer with a number 3 position in cars insured and has a strong presence in the over 50's market. Ageas employs more than 13,000 people in the consolidated entities and over 30,000 in the non-consolidated partnerships, and has annual inflows of more than EUR 25 billion.

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