Santander and KBC agree to merge Bank Zachodni WBK and Kredyt Bank in Poland

Towards a full divestment of Kredyt Bank

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Description of the Transaction

Terms of Transaction

- KBC and Santander have agreed to merge their subsidiaries in Poland: BZ WBK and Kredyt Bank will form a
 new entity, subject to independent evaluation by both banks, as well as to obtaining regulatory approval from
 the Polish Financial Supervision Authority and relevant competition clearance
- Exchange ratio of 6.96 BZ WBK shares for every 100 shares of Kredyt Bank, corresponding to an implied premium of 51% on the 3 months average share price
- Shareholding structure of the combined entity will in principle be Santander (76.5%), KBC (16.4%) and the
 rest free-float
- Santander has committed to help KBC to lower its stake in the merged bank from 16.4% to below 10% immediately after the merger for a cash amount of 0.3bn EUR ⁽¹⁾. In this regard, Santander has also committed to acquire up to 5% of the merged bank. Furthermore, KBC's intention is to divest its remaining stake, with a view to maximising value
- KBC will provide collateralized funding to Kredyt Bank in CHF for 3 years (2) maintaining similar terms & conditions
- The merged bank will distribute KBC TFI's funds under a non-exclusive distribution agreement
- Santander has also committed to acquire 100% of Zagiel at an adjusted net asset value

Rationale for KBC

- Another major milestone in execution of EC imposed disposal plan in challenging market circumstances
- Capital release of EUR 0.7bn at closing ⁽³⁾, corresponding to 0.8% impact on T1 ratio ⁽⁴⁾
- Capital release of EUR 0.7bn at full exit, corresponding to 0.9% impact on T1 ratio (4)
- Maintaining stake in the combined entity of below 10%, with participation in the upside of the combined entity
- Shareholders agreement between KBC and Santander including governance rights granted to KBC (among others board representation and protective rights)

⁽¹⁾ Based on EUR/PLN exchange rate of 4.18;

CHF3bn in year 1, CHF2.5bn in year 2 and CHF2bn in year 3. The structure will be CHF 1.5bn direct funding and CHF 1.5bn through a swap structure

⁽³⁾ Closing: registration of the merger and committed reduction of KBC's participation to 9.99%

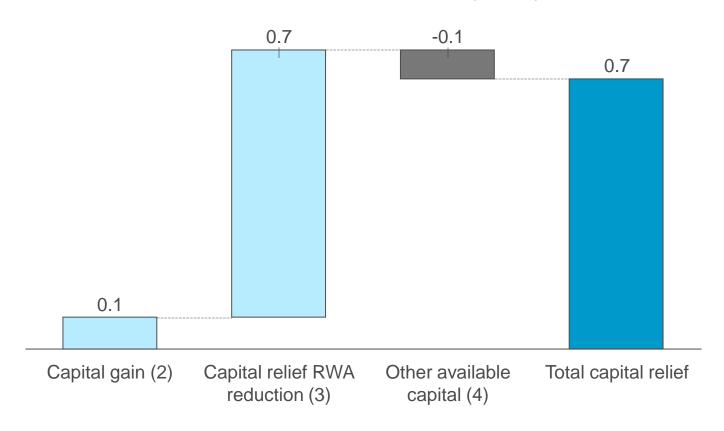
⁴⁾ Based on current market conditions



Capital Release for KBC at Closing (1) Impact Tier 1 Ratio of 0.8%

Estimated transaction impact

based on current market conditions (bn EUR)



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Impact including sales costs of €10m and funding cost, excluding Zagiel;

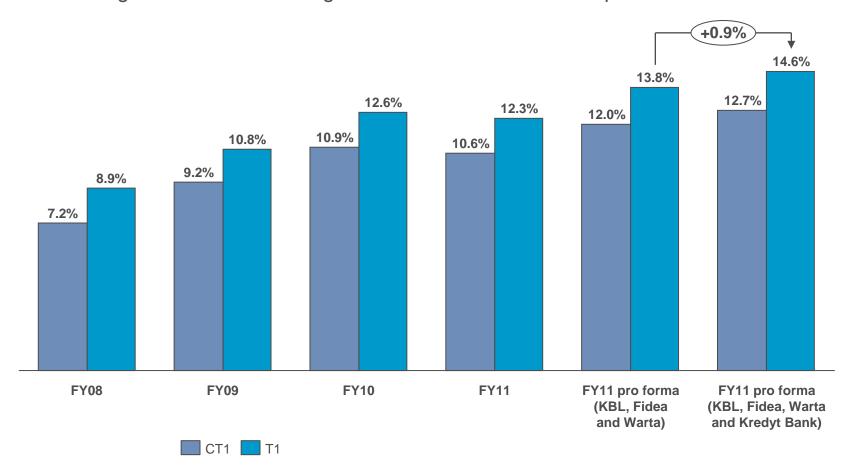
⁽³⁾ RWAs at 11% target;

⁽⁴⁾ Release of minority interests, translation differences, goodwill and other intangibles;



Pro Forma Solvency Ratios at Full Exit Impact Tier-1 Ratio 0.9%

Pro forma Tier-1 ratio at the end of 2011 – including the effect of divestments for which a sale agreement has been signed – of 14.6% at KBC Group



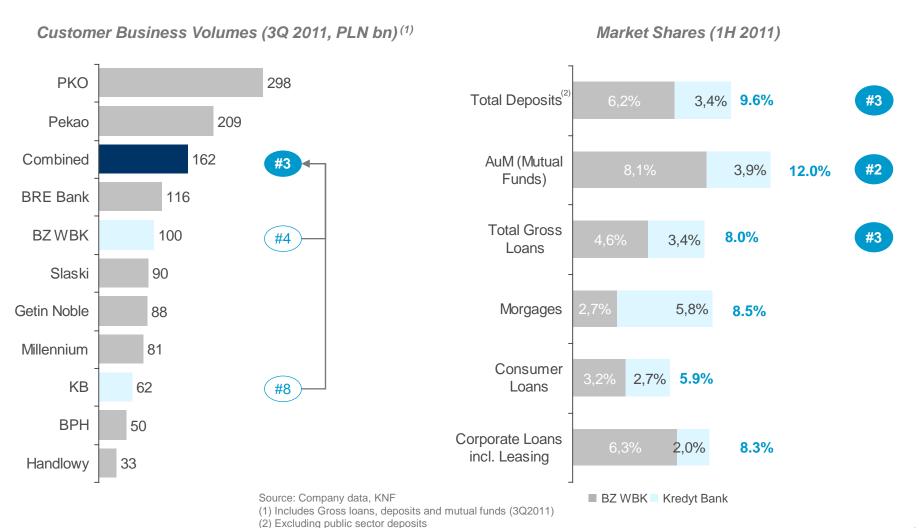
[•] FY11 pro forma CT1 includes the impact of divestments already signed

Rounded figures



Third Largest Bank in Poland

- BZ WBK and Kredyt bank combined will achieve critical mass across all segments
 - Creation of a powerhouse in deposit gathering



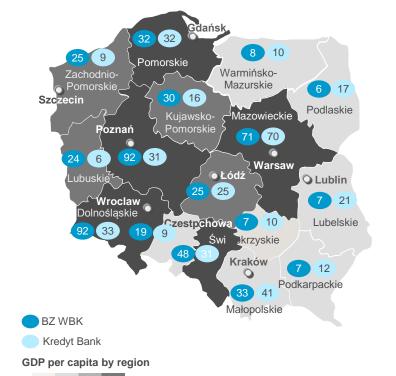


Branch Network Filling the Gap With the Top Two

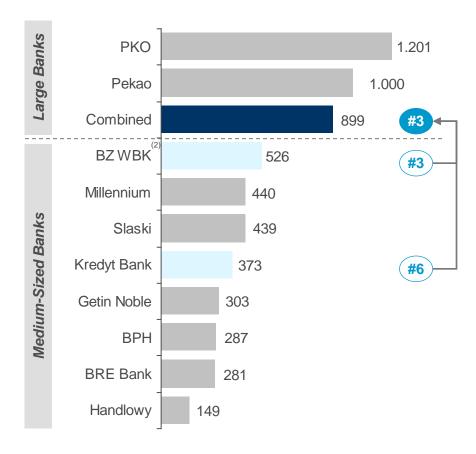
- Combined network of 899 branches present in all Polish regions
 - Opportunity to rationalise branch overlap

Geographical Footprint

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of Branches (1)



Source: SNL. Company information. Total numbers of branches as per SNL may not equal to total number of branches reported due to SNL methodology

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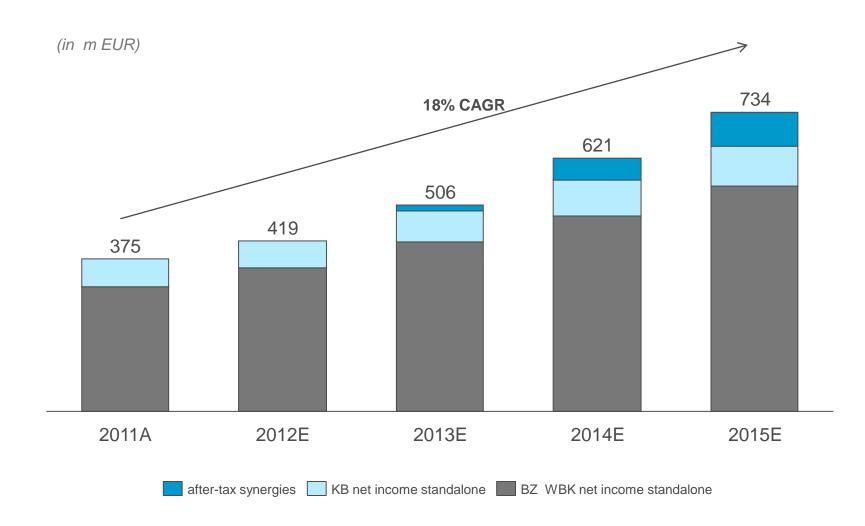
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⁽¹⁾ Excluding agencies / franchise network

⁽²⁾ BZ WBK excluding 96 agencies



Value Creation Potential for new group*



^{*} Based on shareholders' business plan / rounded figures / EUR/PLN exchange rate of 4.18



Value Creation Potential for KBC

Pure illustrative

m EUR	Before
	2013E
BZ WBK net income*	
Kredyt Bank net income (100%)*	77
Kredyt Bank net income (80%)	62
After-tax synergies*	
Combined net income	
Illustrative forward P/E multiple	11x
Combined value (100%)	
Estimated value of KBC stake (±10%)	
Cash received	
Total value to KBC	678

After		
2013E	2014E	2015E
417	479	552
77	88	99
13	54	83
506	621	734
11x	11x	11x
5,566	6,831	8,074
557	683	807
321	321	321
878	1,004	1,128
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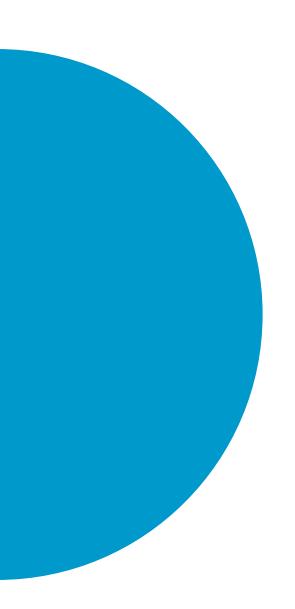
- Capital release of EUR 0.7bn at closing ⁽¹⁾, corresponding to 0.8% impact on T1 ratio ⁽²⁾
- Remaining 9.99% stake in a highly performing and strongly solvent
 & liquid bank

Significant synergies to be expected

 KBC's intention is to divest its remaining 9.99% stake, with a view to maximising value

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Q&A

