

# Handelsbanken

## Press release

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## Handelsbanken has divested all of its A-shares in Industrivärden

Svenska Handelsbanken AB (publ) (“Handelsbanken”) has today sold all of its A-shares, 29,367,821 Class A shares in AB Industrivärden (publ) (“Industrivärden”), corresponding to 6.8 per cent of Industrivärden’s share capital and 10.3 per cent of the voting rights. The price is set to SEK 153.25 per share (the “Transaction”). The shares have been acquired by Swedish and international institutional investors.

The Transaction will result in a capital gain for Handelsbanken of approximately SEK 750 million, which will have a positive impact on Handelsbanken’s earnings in the third quarter of 2016. The divestment will not result in any increase in Handelsbanken’s equity, as the shares were recognized as an available-for-sale asset at market value in the bank’s accounts.

As a result of the Transaction, Handelsbanken’s risk exposure amount will decrease and the expected positive impact on Handelsbanken’s common equity tier 1 ratio is estimated at approximately 0.6 percentage points.

Morgan Stanley and Handelsbanken Capital Markets acted as Joint Bookrunners in the Transaction.

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