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KBC announces the proposed sale of its treasury shares as part of the strategic plan agreed with the European Commission

KBC has announced the proposed sale of its treasury shares currently held on its balance sheet and representing 5,1% of its total share count of 358 million shares via an institutional private placement by way of an accelerated bookbuilding limited to institutional investors. The results of the private placement will be announced as soon as possible.

KBC's strategic plan, as approved by the European Commission in November 2009, included the sale, within an agreed timeframe, of 18.2 million treasury shares held by KBC on its balance sheet

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