



# Press release

Outside trading hours – Regulated information\*

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## Publication of transparency notification(s) received by KBC Group NV

(art. 14, 1<sup>st</sup> section of the Act of 2 May 2007 concerning the disclosure of significant participations)

### Summary of the notification(s)

KBC Group NV has received a transparency notification dd.12 July 2018, which states that BlackRock Inc. has crossed the reporting threshold of 5% (voting rights, excluding equivalent financial instruments) downwards.

### Content of the notification(s)

The notification(s) contain(s) following information:

- Reason for the notification(s): acquisition or disposal of voting securities or voting rights
- Notification(s) by: BlackRock Inc.
- Persons subject to the notification requirement: see annex 1
- Date(s) on which the threshold is crossed: 11 July 2018
- Threshold that is crossed: 5%  
(KBC Group's Articles of Association set a notification threshold of 3% of the total number of voting rights. In addition, the legal thresholds of 5% or any multiple thereof also apply)
- Denominator (number of shares KBC Group NV): 418 597 567
- Notified details: see annex 1
- Chain of controlled undertakings through which the holding is effectively held:  
*See "11: Full chain of controlled undertakings through which the holding is effectively held" in the PDF-file on [www.kbc.com](http://www.kbc.com) (see below).*
- The relevant notification(s) is (are) available at [www.kbc.com](http://www.kbc.com) > Investor relations > Shareholder information > Shareholder structure.

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Annex  
Notification dd. 11 July 2018

A) Voting rights	Previous notification	After the transaction				
		# of voting rights	# of voting rights		% of voting rights	
			Linked to securities	Not linked to the securities	Linked to securities	Not linked to the securities
BlackRock, Inc.	0	0		0,00%		
BlackRock (Netherlands) B.V.	40 470	40 470		0,01%		
BlackRock (Singapore) Limited	11 210	11 210		0,00%		
BlackRock Advisors (UK) Limited	1 720 029	1 695 809		0,41%		
BlackRock Advisors, LLC	349 964	355 010		0,08%		
BlackRock Asset Management Canada Limited	170 519	175 936		0,04%		
BlackRock Asset Management Deutschland AG	1 643 060	1 623 146		0,39%		
BlackRock Asset Management North Asia Limited	10 052	8 832		0,00%		
BlackRock Financial Management, Inc.	113 352	114 852		0,03%		
BlackRock Fund Advisors	3 761 690	3 747 148		0,90%		
BlackRock Institutional Trust Company, National Association	4 144 548	4 153 078		0,99%		
BlackRock International Limited	145 934	145 359		0,03%		
BlackRock Investment Management (Australia) Limited	79 008	79 008		0,02%		
BlackRock Investment Management (UK) Limited	7 745 254	7 766 699		1,86%		
BlackRock Investment Management, LLC	565 269	567 583		0,14%		
BlackRock Japan Co., Ltd.	618 993	347 497		0,08%		
Subtotal	21 119 352	20 831 637		4,98%		
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>20 831 637</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>4,98%</b>	<b>0,00%</b>	

B) Equivalent financial instruments	After the transaction					
	Type of financial instrument	Expiration date	Exercise period or date	# of voting rights that may be acquired if the instrument is exercised	% of voting rights	Settlement
BlackRock Advisors (UK) Limited	Securities Lent			476 129	0,11%	physical
BlackRock Advisors (UK) Limited	Contract For Difference			1 794	0,00%	cash
BlackRock Advisors, LLC	Contract For Difference			44 481	0,01%	cash
BlackRock Financial Management, Inc.	Contract For Difference			4 292	0,00%	cash
BlackRock Institutional Trust Company, National Association	Contract For Difference			168 784	0,04%	cash
BlackRock International Limited	Contract For Difference			882	0,00%	cash
BlackRock Investment Management (UK) Limited	Contract For Difference			24 065	0,01%	cash
BlackRock Investment Management, LLC	Contract For Difference			58 793	0,01%	cash
BlackRock Investment Management, LLC	Depository Receipts			1 836	0,00%	
<b>TOTAL</b>				<b>781 056</b>	<b>0,19%</b>	

TOTAL (A & B)	# of voting rights	% of voting rights
<b>CALCULATE</b>	<b>21 612 693</b>	<b>5,16%</b>