

SUMMONS TO THE GENERAL MEETING

Shareholders of the NATIONAL BANK OF BELGIUM S.A. are invited to attend the Ordinary General Meeting which will be held at the Bank, in 1000 Brussels, rue Montagne aux Herbes Potagères 61, on Monday 31 May 2010 at 11:00 a.m. sharp.

Shareholders are requested to arrive no later than 10:45 a.m. to allow for admittance formalities to be completed and the attendance list to be signed.

The agenda for this meeting is as follows:

- 1° Introductory presentation by the Governor;
- 2° Report on the activities of the financial year ended 31 December 2009;
- 3° Statutory elections:
 - Proposals for decisions:
 - Regents: renewal of the office of Messrs Rudy De Leeuw and Gérald Frère and Mrs Martine Durez;
 - Censors: renewal of the office of Baron Paul Buysse and Messrs Luc Carsauw and Jean-François Cats.

Shareholders whose shares are registered with the Bank (in their name or on an account) and who wish to attend the General Meeting or be represented at it must inform the Bank, by Wednesday 26 May 2010 at the latest, in accordance with the letter that has been sent to them.

Shareholders whose dematerialised shares are registered with another bank or financial institution and who wish to attend the General Meeting or be represented at it must request their bank or financial establishment to freeze all their shares or a part of them until the date of the General Meeting and to send the Bank, for the attention of the Securities Service, a certificate stating that these shares shall not be available until the end of the General Meeting. This certificate must reach the Bank by Wednesday 26 May 2010 at the latest.

Shareholders holding bearer shares who wish to attend the General Meeting or be represented at it must deposit all or part of their shares with the Bank (either at the Head Office or one of the agencies) by Wednesday 26 May 2010 at the latest. They may also deposit all or part of their shares with another bank which must then send the National Bank a certificate of deposit for these shares. This certificate must reach the Bank by Wednesday 26 May 2010 at the latest, for the attention of the Securities Service.

Shareholders will receive a letter from the Bank to confirm that their shares have been frozen or deposited.

Shareholders who wish to be represented by a third party at the General Meeting must complete the above-mentioned registration formalities and fill up a proxy form which must reach the Bank no later than Friday 28 May 2010, for the attention of the Securities Service. In accordance with the Bank's statutes, proxy papers must be countersigned by the proxy. With the exception of corporate bodies and without prejudice to the rules of legal representation, a shareholder may have himself represented only by a proxy who is himself entitled to vote. Proxy forms are available at all of the Bank's branches as well as below:

Proxy form for individuals (pdf)
[in French](#) - [in Dutch](#)

Proxy form for corporate bodies (pdf)
[in French](#) - [in Dutch](#)

For practical reasons, and unless a specific request is made to the Securities Service (either by e-mail to securities@nbb.be or by telephone on 02 221 46 56 or by fax to 02 221 32 05) by Friday 28 May 2010 at the latest, each shareholder shall be given one voting card only, valid for votes in his own name and for his votes by proxy.

Shareholders wishing to submit questions in writing prior to the General Meeting are requested to send them either by e-mail to sdsafe@nbb.be, by fax to 02 221 31 24, or by post to the National Bank of Belgium, Secretariat, boulevard de Berlaimont 14, 1000 Brussels, no later than 6:00 p.m. on Tuesday 25 May 2010.

Brussels, 30 April 2010

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