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**Fortis Bank Polska SA** with its registered office in Warsaw, ul. Suwak 3, entered in the National Court Register (KRS) maintained by the District Court for the capital city of Warsaw, XIII Commercial Division, Entry No. KRS 6421, tax identification number (NIP): 676-007-83-01, holding paid-up share capital of PLN 1,206,175,300. BNP Paribas Fortis is a brand name under which Fortis Bank Polska S.A., part of the BNP Paribas capital group, offers its products and services.

## **Principles regarding public disclosure of information on capital adequacy of Fortis Bank Polska SA**

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## 1. INTRODUCTION

- 1.1. Article 111a of the Banking Law (consolidated text in the Journal of Laws of 2002, no. 72, item 665 as further amended) puts banks under an obligation to publicly disclose the capital adequacy information.
- 1.2. The detailed principles and manner of publishing the information have been set out by the Financial Supervision Authority in Resolution No. 385/2008 of 17 December 2008 on detailed principles and manner of public disclosure of the capital adequacy qualitative and quantitative information by banks, and the scope of information to be disclosed (Official Journal of the National Bank of Poland of 2008, no. 8, item 39), with further changes.
- 1.3. The said document "Principles regarding public disclosure of information on capital adequacy of Fortis Bank Polska S.A." sets out the scope, frequency, deadline, form and place for disclosing capital adequacy information by Fortis Bank Polska S.A.
- 1.4. Preparation and announcement of the said "Principles regarding public disclosure of information on capital adequacy of Fortis Bank Polska S.A." equal the fulfilment of the obligation set out in Paragraph 5, section 1 of the aforementioned Resolution of the Financial Supervision Authority.

## 2. DEFINITIONS

The terms used in the document shall have the following meaning:

- 2.1. **FBP, the Bank** – Fortis Bank Polska S.A.;
- 2.2. **Resolution** – Resolution No. 385/2008 of the Financial Supervision Authority dated 17 December 2008 on detailed principles and manner of public disclosure of the capital adequacy qualitative and quantitative information by banks, and the scope of information to be disclosed (Official Journal of the National Bank of Poland of 2008, no. 8, item 39), with further changes.
- 2.3. **Information** – qualitative and quantitative information on capital adequacy described in item 3.1. of the said document, which is publicly disclosed by the Bank pursuant to Article 111 a of the Banking Law and the **Resolution**;
- 2.4. **Principles** – the said "Principles regarding public disclosure of information on capital adequacy of Fortis Bank Polska S.A."

## 3. INFORMATION DISCLOSURE PRINCIPLES

- 3.1. Scope of **Information** disclosed
  - 3.1.1. Pursuant to the obligation specified in Paragraph 2, section 1 of the **Resolution, the Bank** publicly discloses the information with accordance to the Enclosure 1 and 2 of the **Resolution**, in particular:
    - consolidation methods applied to the group entities,
    - objectives and rules of managing various types of risk,
    - the application of prudential norms,
    - usage of the external credit assessment institutions ratings,
    - the credit risk and dilution with exposures towards these risks and application of credit risk mitigation techniques,
    - risk weighted credit exposure values using IRB approach,
    - counterparty credit risk,
    - interest rate risk in the banking book,

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- equity exposures in the banking portfolio,
- securitization exposures.

This scope of information is based on the Group BNP Paribas consolidated data.

3.1.2. Pursuant to the obligation specified in Paragraph 3, section 4 of the **Resolution, FBP** publicly discloses, based on data available at the highest, national level of consolidation, the following information:

- 3.1.2.1. information on the main features and conditions pertaining to all items and components of the Bank's equity;
- 3.1.2.2. equity plus the value of particular core and tier two capital items and reductions thereof;
- 3.1.2.3. amount of short-term capital and its components;
- 3.1.2.4. equity plus short-term capital;
- 3.1.2.5. description of the method used by the Bank to assess the adequacy of its internal capital which supports the Bank's current and future operations;
- 3.1.2.6. amounts accounting for 8% of risk-weighted exposure, separately for each exposure class;
- 3.1.2.7. amount of a minimum capital requirements in total and for each type of risk separately;
- 3.1.2.8. amount of a minimum operational risk capital requirement, separately for each method used.

3.1.3. With accordance to the Polish Banking Law Act, Paragraph 111a section 2 and 3, the scope of the **Information** does not apply to:

- 3.1.3.1. the insignificant information,
- 3.1.3.2. the information disclosure of which may have a negative impact on the bank's position on the relevant markets defined by provisions on competition and consumer protection,
- 3.1.3.3. information which is a legally protected secret.

3.1.4. In the case referred to in items 3.1.3.2. and 3.1.3.3. the **Bank** shall present reasons for restraining the publication of information and disclose general data related to this, insofar as this is not the information referred to in items 3.1.3.2. and 3.1.3.3.

3.1.5. Provisions of the **Principles** shall not apply to the information published in the **FBP** Annual Consolidated Financial Statements.

### 3.2. Preparation of **Information**

3.2.1. The Head of the Transversal Risk Management Line is responsible for initiation and coordination of the process of preparation of **Information**, which is being prepared with cooperation with other **Bank's** entities, i.a. Accounting Information System, Credit Risk Controlling Department, Market Risk and Liquidity Risk Management Department.

3.2.2. The Head of the Transversal Risk Management Line is responsible for setting the scope of information required from other **Bank's** entities and setting deadlines. The time schedule shall considerate the attestation process conducted by the internal Audit Department and approval of the Board of Executives.

### 3.3. **Information** disclosure frequency and deadline

3.3.1. **Information** is published annually as at the end of the last fiscal year, not later than 30 days of the approval of the **FBP** Annual Consolidated Financial Statements.

### 3.4. **Information** disclosure form and place

**Information** is published in PDF format at the Bank's website [www.bnpparibasfortis.com.pl](http://www.bnpparibasfortis.com.pl) in the section "Investor Relations" in Polish and English.

### 3.5. Approval and verification

3.5.1. The Information referred to in item 3.1.2. is subject to verification by an auditor hired to examine **FBP** financial statements. The Board of Executives may

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decide to assign the verification to any entity other than the auditor and to the Bank's internal units.

3.5.2. The **Information** referred to in items 3.1.1. and 3.1.2, which is not included in the audit of the bank's financial statement by certified auditor, is subject to the approval of the **Bank's** Board of Executives and attestation process conducted by the internal Audit Department.

#### 3.6. Verification of **Principles**

3.6.1. The **Principles** are established by the Bank's Board of Executives and approved by the Supervisory Board.

3.6.2. The **Principles** are annually verified by the Board of Executives, which, if necessary, submits proposals of adequate changes to the Supervisory Board.

## **4. FINAL PROVISIONS**

The **Principles** are disclosed via announcement at the Bank's website.