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## **COVER NOTE**

From:	Ms Christine LAGARDE, President of the European Central Bank
date of receipt:	13 April 2023
То:	Mr Thomas WESTPHAL, Director General, Council of the European Union
Subject:	RECOMMENDATION OF THE EUROPEAN CENTRAL BANK to the Council of the European Union on the external auditors of the Nationale Bank van België/ Banque Nationale de Belgique (ECB/2023/10)

Delegations will find attached the Recommendation of the European Central Bank ECB/2023/10.

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## RECOMMENDATION OF THE EUROPEAN CENTRAL BANK

of 13 April 2023

to the Council of the European Union on the external auditors of the Nationale Bank van België/ Banque Nationale de Belgique

(ECB/2023/10)

THE GOVERNING COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN CENTRAL BANK,

Having regard to the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union,

Having regard to the Statute of the European System of Central Banks and of the European Central Bank, and in particular Article 27.1 thereof,

## Whereas:

- (1) The accounts of the European Central Bank (ECB) and the national central banks of the Member States whose currency is the euro are audited by independent external auditors recommended by the ECB's Governing Council and approved by the Council of the European Union
- (2) The mandate of the Nationale Bank van België/ Banque Nationale de Belgique's current external auditors, Mazars Réviseurs d'Entreprises/Mazars Bedrijfsrevisoren SCRL/CVBA, ended following the audit for the financial year 2022. It is therefore necessary to appoint external auditors from the financial year 2023.
- (3) The Nationale Bank van België/ Banque Nationale de Belgique has selected KPMG Bedrijfsrevisoren/KPMG Réviseurs d'Entreprises BV/SRL as its external auditors for the financial years 2023 to 2028.

HAS ADOPTED THIS RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that KPMG Bedrijfsrevisoren/KPMG Réviseurs d'Entreprises BV/SRL should be appointed as the external auditors of the Nationale Bank van België/ Banque Nationale de Belgique for the financial years 2023 to 2028.

Done at Frankfurt am Main, 13 April 2023

The President of the ECB

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