

ING Belgium S.A.

Top 5 execution venues  
and/or brokers and quality of  
order execution

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# Introduction

ING Belgium SA. (ING) is subjected to the EU Directive 2014/65/EU (“MiFID2”) and consequently to the ongoing reporting and disclosure obligations defined therein.

MiFID2 Best Execution requirements and Regulatory Technical Standard 28 (“RTS 28”) (Delegated Regulation (EU) 2017/576), require to publish the following information on an annual basis:

- a list of the Firm’s top 5 execution venues and intermediaries in terms of trading volumes for all executed client orders per class of financial instruments;
- for each class of financial instrument, a summary of the analysis and conclusions the Firm draws from monitoring the quality of execution obtained on execution venues (including brokers).

The publication of this information is to enable investors to make meaningful comparisons. ING publishes, for all its execution and receiving and transmitting orders activity, reports with the content and format as defined by MiFID2 in article 3 of the delegated regulation (EU) 2017/576 of the commission (8 June 2016) and article 65, paragraph 6 of the delegated regulation (EU) 2017/565 (25 April 2016). The information is available for download in a machine-readable electronic format. Should you have problems in downloading this document, please notify ING without delay.

This disclosure document contains information for the period 1 January 2018 - 31 December 2018 on a best effort basis.

## 1. Summary Quality of Best Execution

In order to comply with article 3 of the Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) 2017/576 of 8 June 2016 supplementing Directive 2014/65/EU of the European Parliament and of the Council with regard to regulatory technical standards for the annual publication by investment firms of information on the identity of execution venues and on the quality of execution, ING confirms that it performs qualitative and quantitative monitoring of the different aspects of its Order Execution Policy.

### Best Execution

**An explanation of whether other criteria were given precedence over immediate price and cost when executing retail client orders and how these other criteria were instrumental in delivering the best possible result in terms of the total consideration to the client.**

In its evaluation of the quality of the execution and complying with the best execution of orders in financial instruments policy and as basic principle, ING considers the liquidity of the market

for the given instrument as the most relevant criteria to achieve the best possible result for its customers.

For listed financial instruments, the predominant criteria to select the execution venue is liquidity, but speed of execution, size of the order, costs or probability of execution are also relevant to determine the best execution venue and achieve the best overall result for the client. Most of the time, the domestic market is the most liquid. The execution will be fully automated for orders having a size compatible with the usual liquidity.

## Execution factors

**An explanation of the relative importance the firm gave to the execution factors of price, costs, speed, likelihood of execution or any other consideration including qualitative factors.**

ING ensures that we take all sufficient steps to obtain the best possible result for the client when executing or receiving and transmitting your order. In determining how we will achieve best execution for your order we will take into account the following factors:

- liquidity
- price
- costs
- speed
- likelihood of execution and settlement
- size and nature of the order, and

any other consideration relevant to the efficient execution of your order.

For retail clients under MiFID 2, the best possible result can be determined in terms of total consideration (price + costs), for orders that ING executes or receives and transmits to a financial intermediary for execution. The costs taken into account include execution costs as well as foreign exchange fees paid for financial instruments traded in a currency other than euro.

## Client categorization

**An explanation of how order execution differs according to client categorization, where the firm treats categories of clients differently and where it may affect execution arrangements.**

The client classification has an impact on the execution factors and their relative importance that the Bank takes into account to obtain the best possible result for its clients.

Orders are executed by separate desks. However if executed by the same desk the same execution factors are applied, regardless of the client categorization. Orders from professionals may be treated differently than orders from retail clients due to other characteristics (e.g. size), hence they may be executed differently in accordance with the best execution policy.

## Consolidated Tape Provider

**when applicable an explanation of how the investment firm has used output of a consolidated tape provider (CTP)**

ING does not use any Consolidated Tape Provider for its Best Execution analysis.

## Execution Venues

**An explanation of the factors that led to a change in the list of execution venues listed in the firm's execution policy, if such a change occurred.**

No changes occurred during 2018 to the list of execution venues in ING's execution policy.

**A-description of any close links, conflicts of interests, and common ownerships with respect to any execution venues used to execute orders.**

ING has no close link with, conflict of interest with, nor any participations in third party execution venues used for the execution of orders via its services. ING hasn't entered in any particular agreement with any third party execution venue that would grant it any benefit but ING can act as a counterparty in OTC-transactions.

**A description of any specific arrangements with any execution venues regarding payments made or received, discounts, rebates or non-monetary benefits received.**

ING receives no remuneration, discount or any other non-monetary benefit for the routing of an order towards a specific third party execution venue.

## Brokers

In the framework of its order routing activity, ING selects the brokers according to a list of criteria from which the most important are :

- An adequate structure and internal control process
- The quality of the order execution processes
- A strong financial position
- A commitment to comply at all time with all rules and regulations applying
- The documentation relative to the best execution policy and selection of the execution venues.
- The quality of the service rendered
- The quality of the order execution and speed of the order transmission

ING being part of ING Group has links with some of the brokers we use :

- ING Luxemburg
- ING Bank NV

A periodic monitoring enabling to follow the respect of the instruction given by ING to the broker as well as the speed of execution of the orders routed via its broker is performed. Each

of the selected brokers is requested to evidence for a selected number of orders the execution was done according to the best execution policy.

ING holds a reporting concerning the improvement of price for orders executed via the Equiduct platform.

## Data and tools relating to the quality of execution

### **An explanation of how the investment firm has used any data or tools relating to the quality of execution including any data published under Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) 2017/575**

ING Belgium uses the financial data's of an external data provider to determine which market is the most suitable to each financial instrument. Reviews of the execution venues are made on a yearly basis. This process allows ING Belgium to provide, on a regular basis, the best order execution possible for its clients.

ING Belgium uses a number of tools and processes to analyze the quality of its execution arrangements.

Executing OTC orders means that the clients orders will be executed outside of a trading venue. In this case we need your explicit consent to execute such order outside a trading venue. For these transactions the fair price is determined based on internal models and is verified based on external market prices when available.

## 2. Top 5 execution venues and/or brokers for Retail clients

### Equity : Shares & Depositary Receipts

#### Receiving and transmitting of orders

Orders from clients on Equities - Shares & Depositary Receipts are routed towards the different brokers in function of the home market of the considered security.

#### TOP 5 intermediaries

Class of Instrument	Equities - Shares & Depositary Receipts				
Notification if <1 average trade per business day in the previous year	No				
Top five intermediaries ranked in terms of trading volumes (descending order)	Proportion of volume traded as a percentage of total in that class (in EUR)	Proportion of orders executed as percentage of total in that class	Percentage of passive orders	Percentage of aggressive orders	Percentage of directed orders
ING Bank NV - 3TK20IVIUIJ8J3ZU0QE75	73.63%	77.28%	N/A	N/A	N/A
UBS Switzerland AG - 549300WOIFUSNYH0FL22	26.32%	22.65%	N/A	N/A	N/A
ING Luxembourg SA - 549300BT51N3KAXDPP56	0.05%	0.07%	N/A	N/A	N/A

### Exchange traded products (e.g. Exchange Traded Funds)

#### Receiving and transmitting of orders

Orders from clients on Exchange Traded Products are routed towards the different brokers in function of most liquid market of the considered security.

#### TOP 5 intermediaries

Class of Instrument	Exchange traded products				
Notification if <1 average trade per business day in the previous year	No				
Top five intermediaries ranked in terms of trading volumes (descending order)	Proportion of volume traded as a percentage of total in that class (in EUR)	Proportion of orders executed as percentage of total in that class	Percentage of passive orders	Percentage of aggressive orders	Percentage of directed orders
ING Bank NV - 3TK20IVIUIJ8J3ZU0QE75	72.27%	67.12%	N/A	N/A	N/A
UBS Switzerland AG - 549300WOIFUSNYH0FL22	27.72%	32.87%	N/A	N/A	N/A

ING Luxembourg SA - 549300BT51N3KAXDPP56	0.00%	0.01%	N/A	N/A	N/A
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## Debt Instruments – Bonds

### Receiving and transmitting of orders

Orders from clients on Debt Instruments are routed towards the different brokers.

### TOP 5 intermediaries

Class of Instrument	Debt instrument – Bonds				
Notification if <1 average trade per business day in the previous year	No				
Top five intermediaries ranked in terms of trading volumes (descending order)	Proportion of volume traded as a percentage of total in that class (in EUR)	Proportion of orders executed as percentage of total in that class	Percentage of passive orders	Percentage of aggressive orders	Percentage of directed orders
ING Bank NV - 3TK20IVIUJ8J3ZU0QE75	94,86%	94,17%	N/A	N/A	N/A
KBC SECURITIES SA - 2138005SP78ELT822P61	5,09%	5,72%	N/A	N/A	N/A
UBS Switzerland AG - 549300WOIFUSNYH0FL22	0,02%	0,09%	N/A	N/A	N/A
Argenta Spaarbank NV - A6NZLYKYN1UV7VVGFX65	0,01%	0,02%	N/A	N/A	N/A
Record Bank SA/NV - HU7D6IYLSBPQ34N5FI63	0,01%	0,01%	N/A	N/A	N/A

## Debt Instruments – Money Market Instruments

ING doesn't provide investment or ancillary services regarding Money Market Instruments for retail clients

## Interest Rates Derivatives

### Execution on behalf of clients

ING acts as counterparty to clients willing to enter into Interest Rates Derivative contracts on a OTC basis.

### TOP 5 venues

Class of Instrument	Interest Rates Derivatives				
Notification if <1 average trade per business day in the previous year	Yes				
Top five venues ranked in terms of trading volumes (descending order)	Proportion of volume traded as a	Proportion of orders executed as	Percentage of passive orders	Percentage of aggressive orders	Percentage of directed orders

	percentage of total in that class (in EUR)	percentage of total in that class			
ING Belgium SA - JLS56RAMYQZECFUF2G44	100,00%	100,00%	N/A	N/A	N/A

## Currency Derivatives

### Execution on behalf of clients

ING acts as counterparty to clients willing to enter into Currency Derivative contracts on a OTC basis.

### TOP 5 venues

Class of Instrument	Currency Derivatives				
Notification if <1 average trade per business day in the previous year	No				
Top five venues ranked in terms of trading volumes (descending order)	Proportion of volume traded as a percentage of total in that class (in EUR)	Proportion of orders executed as percentage of total in that class	Percentage of passive orders	Percentage of aggressive orders	Percentage of directed orders
ING Belgium SA - JLS56RAMYQZECFUF2G44	100,00%	100,00%	N/A	N/A	N/A

## Equity Derivatives

### Execution on behalf of clients

ING acts as counterparty to clients willing to enter Equity Derivative contracts on a OTC basis .

### TOP 5 venues

Class of Instrument	Equity Derivatives				
Notification if <1 average trade per business day in the previous year	No				
Top five venues ranked in terms of trading volumes (descending order)	Proportion of volume traded as a percentage of total in that class (in EUR)	Proportion of orders executed as percentage of total in that class	Percentage of passive orders	Percentage of aggressive orders	Percentage of directed orders
ING Belgium SA - JLS56RAMYQZECFUF2G44	100,00%	100,00%	N/A	N/A	N/A

## Securitized Derivatives (e.g. warrants)

### Receiving and transmitting of orders

Orders from clients on securitized derivatives are routed towards the different brokers in function of the home market of the concerned security .

### TOP 5 intermediaries

Class of Instrument	Securitized Derivatives				
Notification if <1 average trade per business day in the previous year	No				
Top five intermediaries ranked in terms of trading volumes (descending order)	Proportion of volume traded as a percentage of total in that class (in EUR)	Proportion of orders executed as percentage of total in that class	Percentage of passive orders	Percentage of aggressive orders	Percentage of directed orders
ING Bank NV - 3TK20IVIUIJ8J3ZU0QE75	100,00%	99,82%	N/A	N/A	N/A
UBS Switzerland AG - 549300WOIFUSNYH0FL22	0,00%	0,18%	N/A	N/A	N/A

## Commodities Derivatives

### Receiving and transmitting of orders

Orders from clients on Commodities Derivatives are routed towards the different brokers in function of most liquid market of the considered security.

### TOP 5 intermediaries

Class of Instrument	Commodities derivatives - Options and Futures admitted to trading on a trading venue				
Notification if <1 average trade per business day in the previous year	Yes				
Top five intermediaries ranked in terms of trading volumes (descending order)	Proportion of volume traded as a percentage of total in that class (in EUR)	Proportion of orders executed as percentage of total in that class	Percentage of passive orders	Percentage of aggressive orders	Percentage of directed orders
ING Bank NV - 3TK20IVIUIJ8J3ZU0QE75	67.60%	70.37%	N/A	N/A	N/A
UBS Switzerland AG - 549300WOIFUSNYH0FL22	32.40%	29.63%	N/A	N/A	N/A

## Other instruments

ING doesn't provide investment or ancillary services regarding other instruments for retail clients (listed and unlisted Credit derivatives, Structured Finance Instruments, Contracts for differences, Emission allowances...)

### 3. Top 5 execution venues and/or brokers for Professionals clients

#### Equity : Shares & Depositary Receipts Receiving and transmitting of orders

Orders from clients on Shares & Depositary Receipts are routed towards the different brokers in function of the home market of the considered security.

#### TOP 5 intermediaries

Class of Instrument	Equities - Shares & Depositary Receipts				
Notification if <1 average trade per business day in the previous year	No				
Top five intermediaries ranked in terms of trading volumes (descending order)	Proportion of volume traded as a percentage of total in that class (in EUR)	Proportion of orders executed as percentage of total in that class	Percentage of passive orders	Percentage of aggressive orders	Percentage of directed orders
ING Bank NV - 3TK20IVIUJ8J3ZUOQE75	66.76%	55.59%	N/A	N/A	N/A
UBS Switzerland AG - 549300WOIFUSNYH0FL22	33.24%	44.41%	N/A	N/A	N/A

#### Exchange traded products (e.g. Exchange Traded Funds) Receiving and transmitting of orders

Orders from clients on Exchange Traded Products are routed towards the different brokers in function of the home market of the considered security.

#### TOP 5 intermediaries

Class of Instrument	Exchange Traded Products				
Notification if <1 average trade per business day in the previous year	No				
Top five intermediaries ranked in terms of trading volumes (descending order)	Proportion of volume traded as a percentage of total in that class (in EUR)	Proportion of orders executed as percentage of total in that class	Percentage of passive orders	Percentage of aggressive orders	Percentage of directed orders
ING Bank NV - 3TK20IVIUJ8J3ZUOQE75	91.35%	78.95%	N/A	N/A	N/A
UBS Switzerland AG - 549300WOIFUSNYH0FL22	8.65%	21.05%	N/A	N/A	N/A

## Debt Instruments – Bonds

### Receiving and transmitting of orders

Orders from clients on Debt Instruments are routed towards the different brokers.

#### TOP 5 intermediaries

Class of Instrument	Debt instrument – Bonds				
Notification if <1 average trade per business day in the previous year	No				
Top five execution venues ranked in terms of trading volumes (descending order)	Proportion of volume traded as a percentage of total in that class (in EUR)	Proportion of orders executed as percentage of total in that class	Percentage of passive orders	Percentage of aggressive orders	Percentage of directed orders
ING Bank NV - 3TK20IVIUJ8J3ZU0QE75	56,81%	66,09%	N/A	N/A	N/A
KBC SECURITIES SA - 2138005SP78ELT822P61	43,19%	33,91%	N/A	N/A	N/A

## Debt Instruments – Money Market Instruments

ING did not provide investment or ancillary services regarding Money Market Instruments for professional clients in 2018

## Interest Rates Derivatives

### Execution on behalf of clients

ING acts as counterparty to clients willing to enter into Interest Rates Derivative contracts on a OTC basis .

#### TOP 5 venues

Class of Instrument	Interest Rates Derivatives				
Notification if <1 average trade per business day in the previous year	Yes				
Top five venues ranked in terms of trading volumes (descending order)	Proportion of volume traded as a percentage of total in that class (in EUR)	Proportion of orders executed as percentage of total in that class	Percentage of passive orders	Percentage of aggressive orders	Percentage of directed orders
ING Belgium SA - JLS56RAMYQZECFUF2G44	100,00%	100,00%	N/A	N/A	N/A

## Currency derivatives

### Execution on behalf of clients

ING acts as counterparty to clients willing to enter into Currency Derivative contracts on a OTC basis .

#### TOP 5 venues

Class of Instrument	Currency derivatives				
Notification if <1 average trade per business day in the previous year	No				
Top five venues ranked in terms of trading volumes (descending order)	Proportion of volume traded as a percentage of total in that class (in EUR)	Proportion of orders executed as percentage of total in that class	Percentage of passive orders	Percentage of aggressive orders	Percentage of directed orders
ING Belgium SA - JLS56RAMYQZECFUF2G44	100,00%	100,00%	N/A	N/A	N/A

## Equity Derivatives

### Execution on behalf of clients

ING acts as counterparty to clients willing to enter into Equity Derivative contracts on a OTC basis .

#### TOP 5 Venues

Class of Instrument	Equity Derivatives				
Notification if <1 average trade per business day in the previous year	No				
Top five venues ranked in terms of trading volumes (descending order)	Proportion of volume traded as a percentage of total in that class (in EUR)	Proportion of orders executed as percentage of total in that class	Percentage of passive orders	Percentage of aggressive orders	Percentage of directed orders
ING Belgium SA - JLS56RAMYQZECFUF2G44	100,00%	100,00%	N/A	N/A	N/A

## Securitized Derivatives (e.g. warrants)

### Receiving and transmitting of orders

Orders from clients on Debt Instruments are routed towards the different brokers in function of the home market of the concerned security .

## TOP 5 intermediaries

Class of Instrument	Securitized Derivatives				
Notification if <1 average trade per business day in the previous year	Yes				
Top five intermediaries ranked in terms of trading volumes (descending order)	Proportion of volume traded as a percentage of total in that class (in EUR)	Proportion of orders executed as percentage of total in that class	Percentage of passive orders	Percentage of aggressive orders	Percentage of directed orders
ING Bank NV - 3TK20VIUJ8J3ZU0QE75	100,00%	100,00%	N/A	N/A	N/A

## Commodities Derivatives

### Receiving and transmitting of orders

ING did not provide investment or ancillary services regarding Commodities Derivatives for professional clients in 2018

## Other instruments

### Execution on behalf of clients

ING acts as counterparty to clients willing to enter into Credit Derivative contracts, CFD... on a OTC basis

## TOP 5 venues

Class of Instrument	Other instruments				
Notification if <1 average trade per business day in the previous year	Yes				
Top five venue ranked in terms of trading volumes (descending order)	Proportion of volume traded as a percentage of total in that class (in EUR)	Proportion of orders executed as percentage of total in that class	Percentage of passive orders	Percentage of aggressive orders	Percentage of directed orders
ING Belgium SA - JLS56RAMYQZECFUF2G44	100,00%	100,00%	N/A	N/A	N/A