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# Value-over-volume strategy delivers solid results

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## Value-over-volume strategy delivers solid results

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#### Capital position strengthened by solid organic capital generation and favorable impact from financial markets

- Organic capital generation strong
- Solid solvency ratio at operating units above thresholds, cash remittance to holding on track to meet targeted cash position

#### Financial results driven by strong operating performance

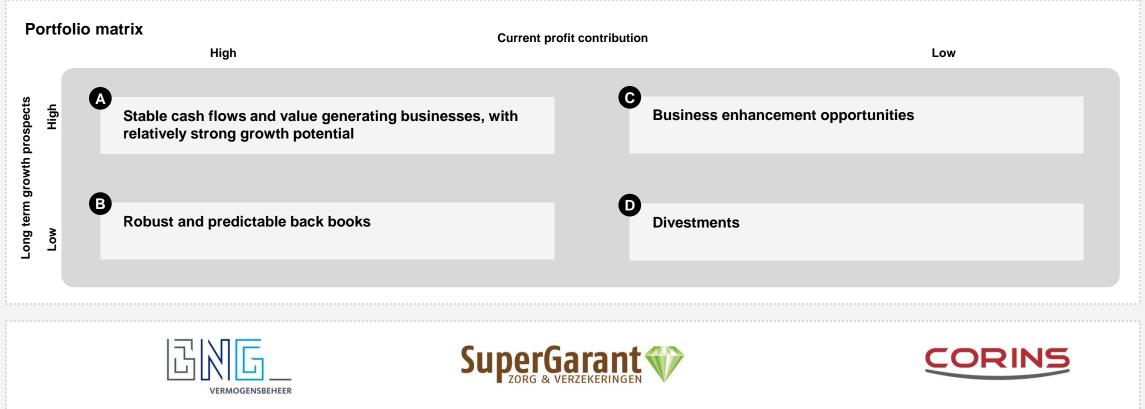
- Operating result reflecting continuous strong underwriting performance and the contribution from the acquired businesses in 2015
- Operating ROE well above medium-term target

# Underwriting skills and discipline drive market leading combined ratios

 Excluding the hail and water damage claims, the combined ratio was 94.2%

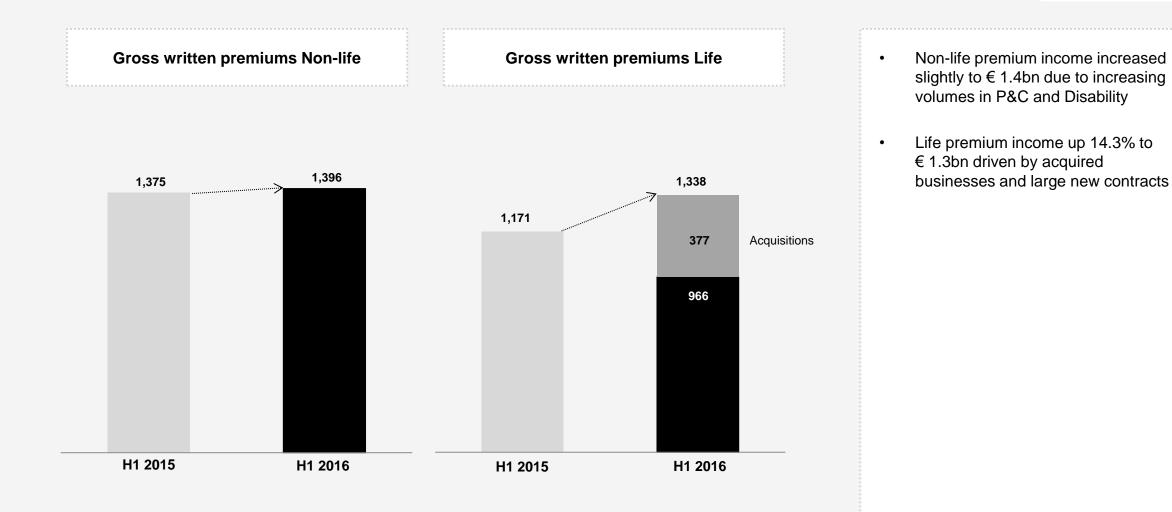
Solvency II (SF)	Organic Cap.Gen.
191%	€ 159m
<b>+ 11%-pts</b> Day-one 180%	<b>4.7%</b> on SCR (Day-one)
Operating result	Net result
€ 292m	€ 382m
+ 4.3%	- 3.8%
(H1 2015:€ 280m)	(H1 2015:€ 397m)
Operating ROE	Combined ratio
14.5%	96.4%
Target up to 12%	Target < 97%

# Selective acquisitions and divestitures to focus on core insurance and asset management activities



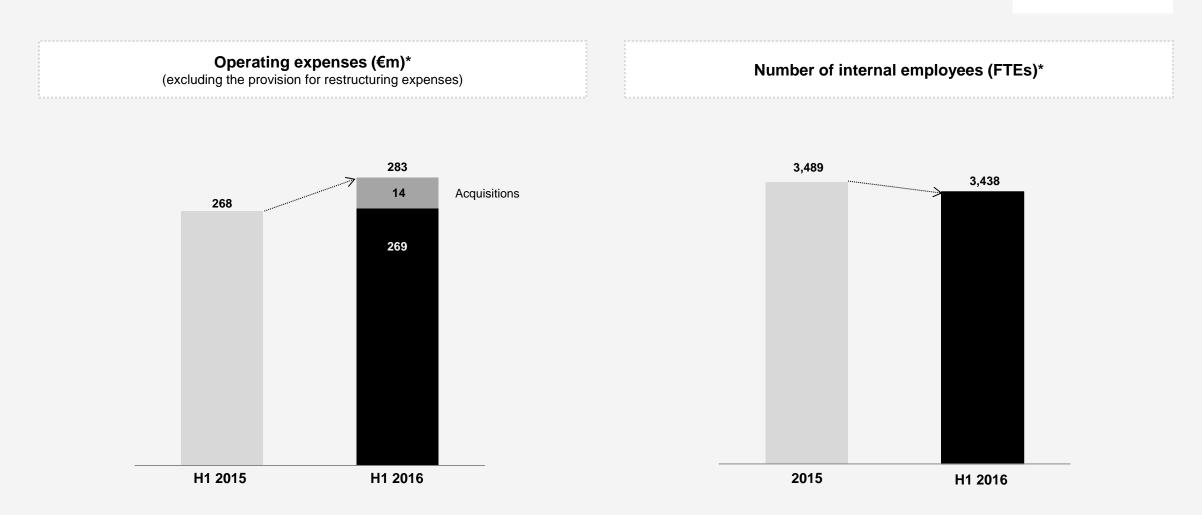
- BNG Vermogensbeheer; adding third party asset management capabilities and € 5bn AuM
- Acquisitions of SuperGarant and Corins strengthen non-life distribution and underwriting expertise
- SOS International and majority of real estate development projects sold

# Acquisitions drive increase in premium income and higher cost base in first half year



#### **Continued containment of underlying cost base**

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Excluding SOS International and Real Estate Development (discontinued part), both sold in 2016.

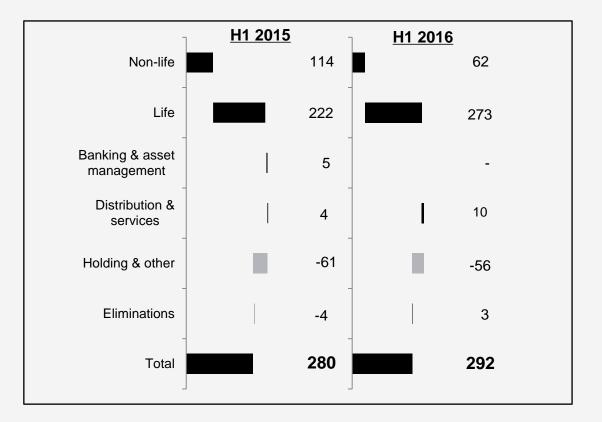
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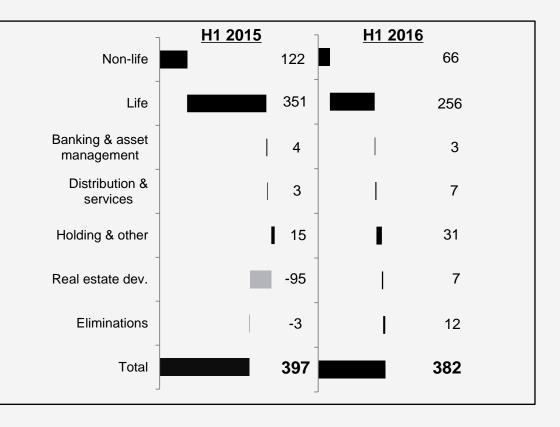
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## Solid operating result

Net result (€m)

Operating result (before tax) (€m)





#### **Performance to medium-term targets**

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#### Business achievements all in line with or better than targets

SCR (Solvency II)	Operating return on equity	Combined ratio Non-life	Financial leverage	S&P rating (insurance business)
191%	14.5%	96.4%	26.6%	Single A
> 160% medium-term target	Up to 12% medium-term target	< 97% medium-term target	< 30% medium-term target	Single A medium-term target

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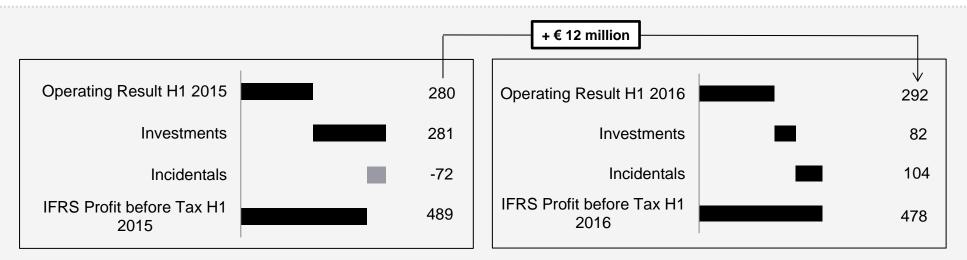
# **Financial update**

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## Increase in operating result

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Operating result increases by € 12 million to € 292 million: Increase in Life segment (€ 51 million) and Non-insurance segments (€ 13 million including eliminations of € 7 million). Non-Life segment decreases € 52 million



#### Main drivers of operating result increase

- Life segment: operating result improves thanks to last year's acquisitions and stable underlying operational performance
- Non-insurance segments: acquisitions contribute to increased operating result, particularly in distribution
- Non-Life segment: despite decrease in operating result the combined ratio (96.4%) remains within the target

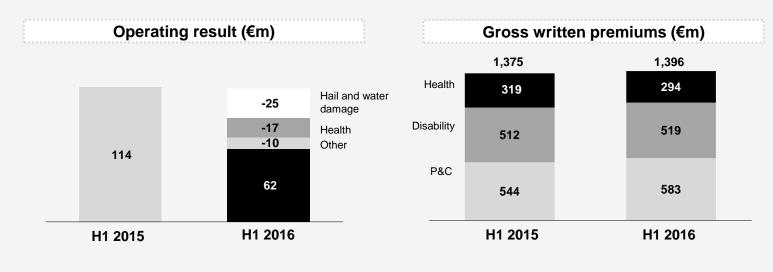
#### Adjustments to bridge IFRS result to operating result

- Decrease of investments (included in incidental items) is due to exceptionally high incidental capital gains on equities in H1 2015
- Release of IAS 19 provision in H1 2016 related to a.s.r.'s own pension scheme
- Additional significant loss provisions related to the real estate development business in H1 2015, which is now in run-off

# Non-life segment: increased operating result due to improved claims handling process and lower operating expenses

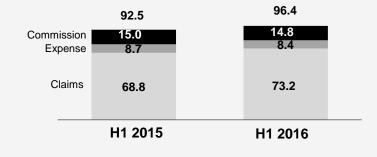
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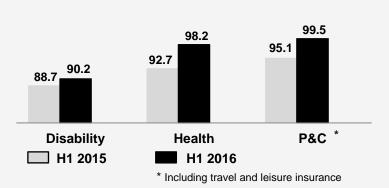
Combined ratio below 100% for all Non-life product lines



Combined ratio (%)

Combined ratio segment Non-life (%)

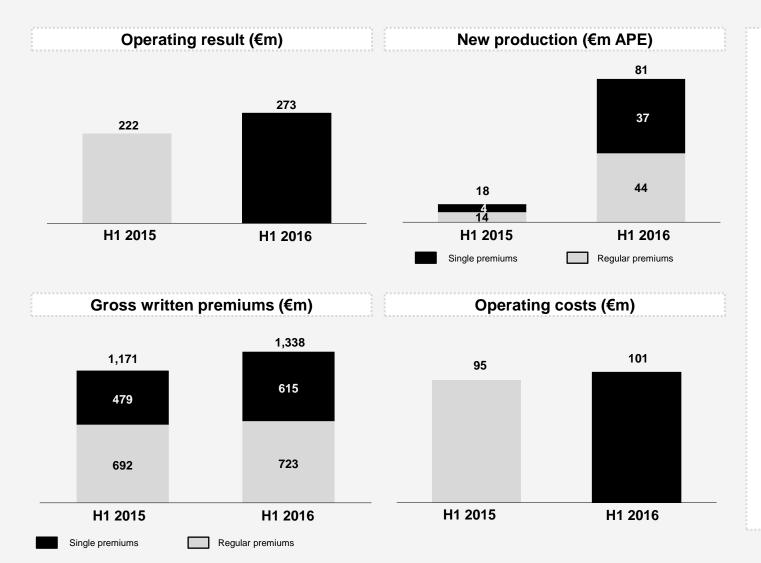




- Operating result decreased by € 52 million mainly due to the hail and water damage claims of June and higher results in H1 2015 due to settlement of prior years within Health
- Net result down € 56 million to
   € 66 million (H1 2015: € 122 million)
- Despite the impact of the hail and water damage the combined ratio for the Non-life segment remains robust at 96.4% (H1 2015: 92.5%)
- Segment Combined Ratio excluding hail and water damage is 94.2%.
   P&C Combined Ratio excluding hail and water damage is 94.6%
- Gross written premiums increased by € 21 million, mainly as a result of increased gross written premiums within both P&C and disability

# Life segment: Improved operating result and positive contribution of acquisitions

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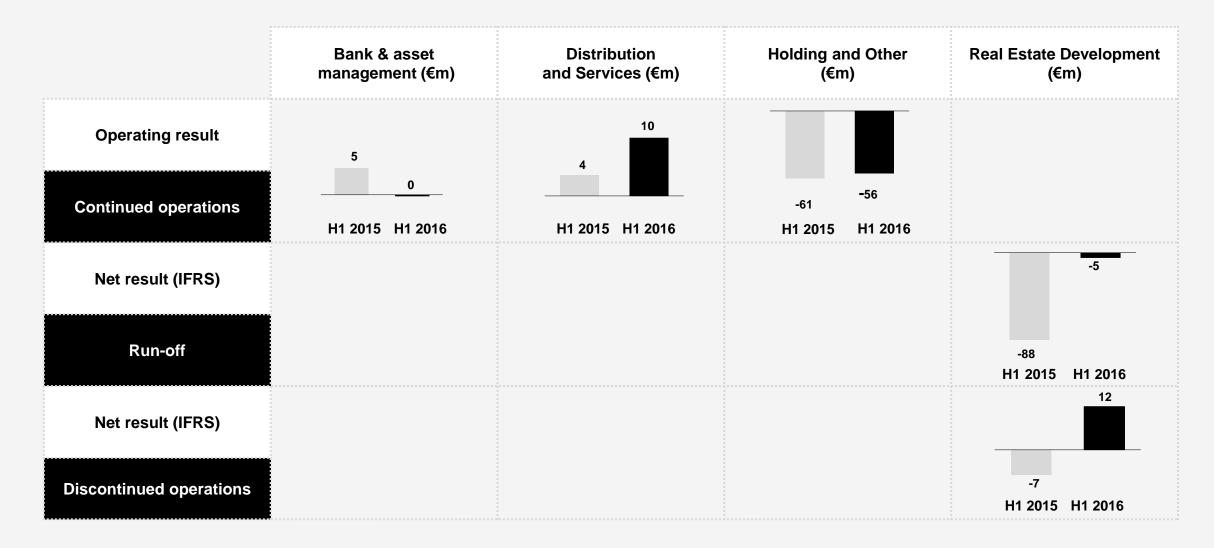


- Increase operating result driven by acquisitions
   and higher contribution from realized gains reserve
- Net result down due to lower level of capital gains on investment (equity) and incidental results
- Growth new production (APE) mainly attributable to acquisition of funeral portfolio
- Increased GWP as a result of acquisitions within funeral and pensions and a large pension contract. Increase is offset by buy-out pension fund in 2015
- Higher operating costs due to acquisitions. Excluding acquisitions the operating costs decreased with 4%

#### Total impact of acquisitions

- Operating result: + € 22 million
- New production: + € 54 million
- Gross written premiums: + € 377 million
- Operating costs: € 10 million

#### **Non-Insurance results**



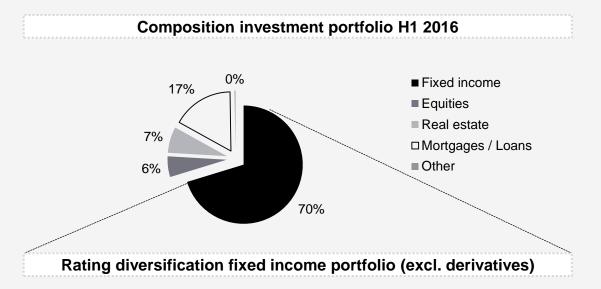
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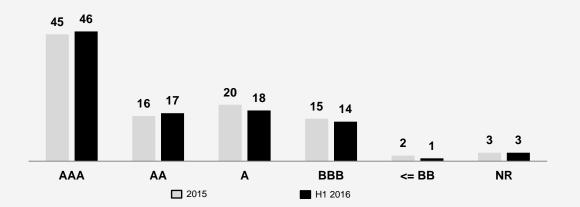
# **Investment portfolio**

#### Well-diversified and solid investment portfolio

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Assets (€ billion, fair value) *	2015	H1 2016
Fixed income	24.5	28.6
Equities	2.7	2.2
Real estate	2.8	2.9
Mortgages / other loans	6.5	6.8
Other **	0.1	0.1
Total investments	36.7	40.7
Investments on behalf of policyholders	7.9	7.5
Other assets	8.8	11.5
Total balance sheet a.s.r.	53.3	59.7





This presentation is on an investment portfolio basis and distinguishes different investment categories from an asset management perspective. Therefore this presentation differs from the financial statement presentation based on IFRS

\* Rounding differences appear

\*\* 'Other' mainly represents equity associates

# High-quality fixed-income portfolio increased in value in low interest rate environment

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#### Key highlights

- The core of our portfolio consist of AAA government bonds, with selective peripheral sovereign exposure
- The increase in value of the investment portfolio is mainly the result of an increase in value of the fixed income portfolio and interest rate derivatives, due to the sharp decline in interest rates
- The fall in interest rates resulted in further pressure, which leads to lower market risk budget. Measures taken to mitigate the impact:
  - reduction of equity exposure
  - reduction of credits exposure largely in favor of government bonds
  - expansion of the interest rate hedge though long swap and bonds
- Exposure structured instruments decreased mainly due to decreased exposure in MBS.
- High quality mortgage portfolio with credit losses < 1 bp

Fixed income (€m)	2015	H1 2016	Delta
Government	12,390	14,746	19%
Financials	4,897	4,860	-1%
Structured	402	229	-43%
Corporate	5,014	5,361	7%
Derivatives	1,788	3,427	92%
Total	24,491	28,623	17%

Mortgages (€m, book value) *	2015	H1 2016	Delta
LtFV < 75%	1,160	1,250	8%
LtFV < 100%	574	702	22%
	675	821	22%
LtFV > 125%	72	89	24%
NHG	4,041	3,980	-1%
Total	6,522	6,842	5%

\* Loan to Foreclosure Value at originated value, no index applied

Governments (€m)	2015	H1 2016	Delta
Germany	5,205	6,242	20%
Netherlands	3,584	4,258	19%
France	830	944	14%
Belgium	653	896	37%
Perifery	636	838	32%
Austria	606	721	19%
Supranationals	333	356	7%
Other	372	331	-11%
Scandinavia	171	160	-6%
Total	12,390	14,746	19%

# Decrease in equities portfolio and diversified real estate portfolio remains of high quality

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		Key highlights
Equities	•	De-risking in the first half of 2016 by amongst others a reduction of the equity exposure Continuation of the active hedging policy for the illiquid part of the portfolio
te	]•	The vacancy rate of Retail increases due to redevelopments and the termination of contracts with V&D in May following its bankruptcy
Real estate	•	Increase in the vacancy rate of Offices is mainly due to the relocation of Amersfoortse division to the a.s.r. headquarter in Utrecht and the shift from offices own use to the investment portfolio as a consequence
2	•	The net yield after vacancy per half year 2016 is 4,2%

Equities (€m)	2015	H1 2016	Delta
Equities	2,278	1,830	-20%
Private equities	76	74	-2%
Hedge funds	1	0	-34%
Other funds	321	299	-7%
Derivatives	31	46	47%
Total	2,706	2,250	-17%

Real estate (€m)	2015	H1 2016	Delta
Offices	173	185	7%
Residential	681	723	6%
Retail *	603	561	-7%
Parking	41	41	0%
Projects	12	7	-42%
Total real estate (excl. rural & own use)	1,510	1,517	0%
Rural	1,154	1,198	4%
Total real estate (excl. own use)	2,664	2,715	2%
Offices own use	153	135	-12%
Total real estate	2,817	2,850	1%



\* New contract with Hudson reduces Retail vacancy to 4.4

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# **Solvency and capital**

## Key developments Solvency II 'stock' and 'flow'

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#### Solvency level – 'Stock'

- Group solvency ratio remains strong at 191% using standard model
- All solvency ratios of the operating companies exceed the risk appetite statement of a.s.r.

#### Sensitivities

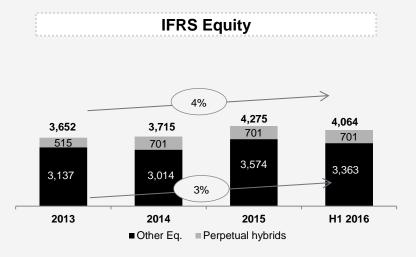
- Interest rate -100bps: impact on group solvency ratio +5%-pts
- Interest rate +100bps: impact on group solvency ratio -2%-pts
- Decrease of UFR to 3.2%: impact on group solvency ratio -25%pts

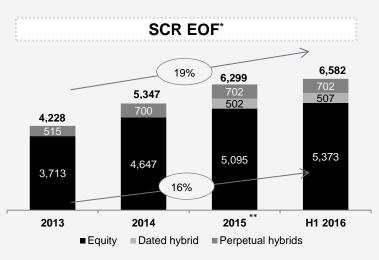
#### Solvency developments – 'Flow':

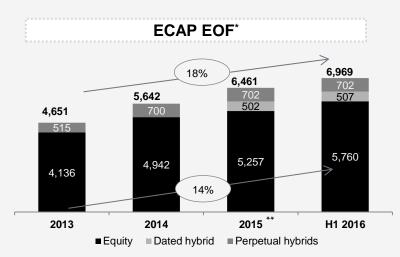
- The group solvency ratio increased due to:
  - Continued organic creation of capital € 159 million
    - Operational capital creation: expected return on the existing portfolio plus new business minus non allocated holding costs
    - Net release of capital as a result of the reduction of the life portfolio
    - Technical movements: UFR drag and run off transitional equity charge
  - Market developments due to lower interest rate
  - De-risking: equity position is optimized and money duration is increased to increase the interest hedge

## **Capital development**

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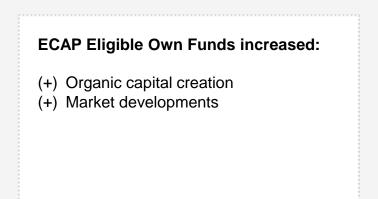
#### IFRS Equity variances due to:

- (+) Net profit
- (-) IAS 19 actuarial gains and losses
- (-) Paid dividends

# Excluding IAS19 and dividend, equity would have increased

#### SCR Eligible Own Funds increased:

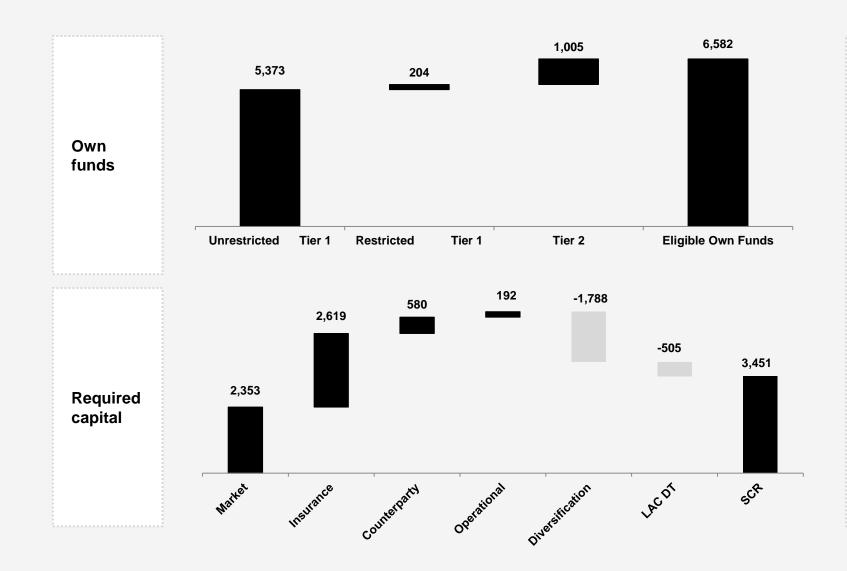
- (+) Organic capital creation
- (+) Market developments

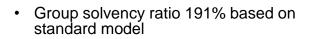


#### \* before deduction of dividend payments

\*\* The Eligible Own Funds Day-one 2015 amounted to € 6,246 million SCR and € 6,417 million ECAP

# **Group solvency key figures H1 2016**

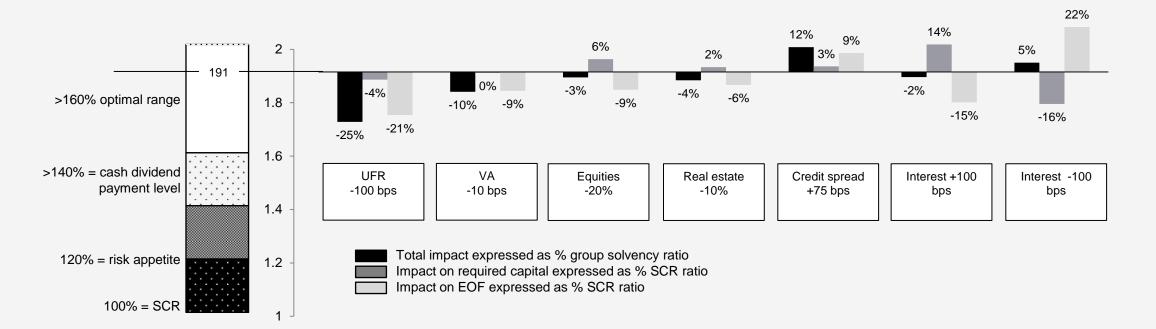




- Tier 1 capital comprises 85% of total own funds
- Tier 1 capital alone represents 162% of SCR
- Significant further headroom available for additional restricted capital
  - T1: € 1,139 million
  - T2: € 721 million
- Own funds do not contain Tier 3 capital
- The restricted Tier 1 capital contains grandfathered hybrid capital instruments.
- Market risk is less than 50% of pre-diversification required capital

# Sensitivities group solvency ratio

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In line with EIOPA consultation paper on UFR definition (define target UFR at 3.7%) and subsequent discussions (e.g. DNB response to introduce Dutch Pension Funds methodology implying UFR ~ 3.2%):

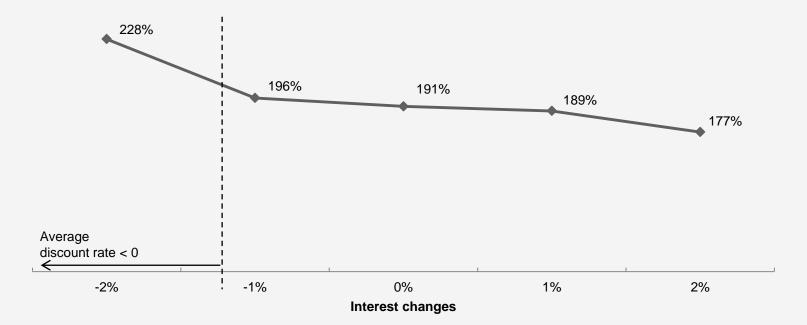
- At UFR of 3.7% (- 50 bps) a.s.r. solvency 2 ratio would be 179% at 30/6
- At UFR of 3.2% (-100 bps) a.s.r. solvency 2 ratio would be 166% at 30/6

In both cases still well within > 160% "optimal range"

Due to increase in funeral portfolio, decreased interest rates and flattening of the yield curve, UFR sensitivity increased. Lowering UFR would also reduce UFR drag in organic capital creation

# Sensitivity of group solvency ratio for interest changes

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#### Hedging policy

- a.s.r. hedge program is a combination of economic and current standard model solvency ratio hedging
- Dynamic hedging strategy intends to stabilize the standard model solvency ratio for interest rate risk with increased "weight" for economic exposure as interest rates decline

Interest rate sensitivity solvency ratio:

- Relative to liabilities discounted at Solvency II curve, a.s.r. is long duration: the group solvency ratio declines when interest rates rises and vice versa
- a.s.r. pursues dynamic hedging program, weighing cash flows both in Solvency II world 'as is' and excluding UFR. In falling yield scenario the weight of ex UFR environment increases in execution of hedging program further duration of a.s.r. asset and derivative portfolio
- Overall interest sensitivity of a.s.r. (vs rising rates) changed due to growth of funeral portfolio and increased interest rate hedging
- The impact of interest changes is not linear and differs in time through convexity effects

#### Management response to market developments

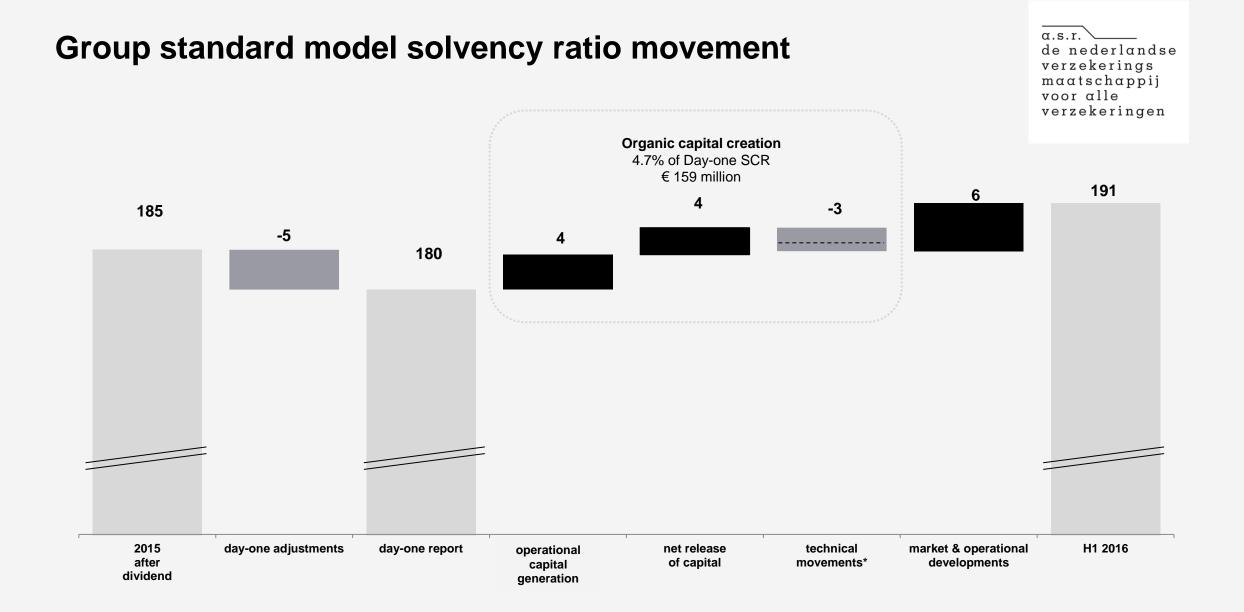
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Liabilities

# Market developments: Interest rates fell strongly Government bonds yields on a extreme low level Stock market volatility Spreads decreased due to ECB program Intention EIOPA to lower UFR level

#### Assets

- Optimize position in equity and credits
- Increase money duration as part of interest hedge program (mainly through receiver swaps and swaptions)
- Lay off specific risks through reinsurance (mass lapse risk\*)
- Executed in July 2016, therefore not included in 30/6 Solvency II numbers; pro forma addition would be ~ 5%-pts of Solvency II ratio



\* Technical movements between stock and flow includes UFR drag (~ 2%-pts of day-one SCR) and amortization of benefit from transitional equity rule (~1%)

#### **Balance sheet management**

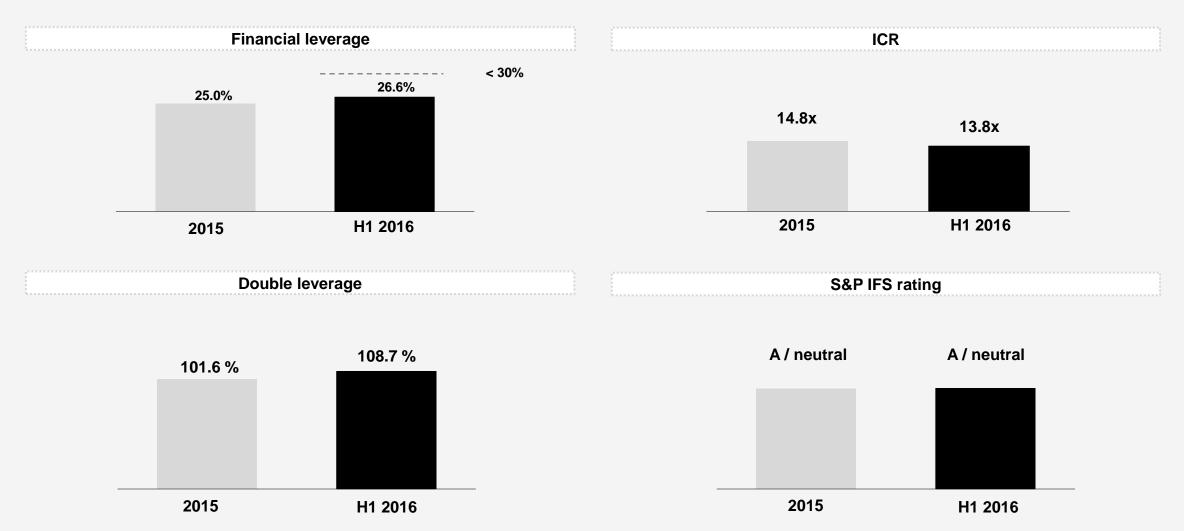
- Solvency ratio levels of all insurance entities clearly exceed the management target solvency levels at H1 2016, giving headroom for future remittance
- Dividend (2015) of € 170 million paid to NLFI
- Operational cash remittance in H1 2016 amounts to € 190 million, exceeding both dividend paid and organic capital creation
- Current cash position on holding (€ 181 million) in line with year end target

	target solvency ratio	target ECAP ratio	meet target solvency ratio	meet target ECAP ratio
a.s.r. group	140	160	✓	✓
a.s.r. non-life	130	150	✓	✓
a.s.r. life	140	160	✓	✓

## a.s.r.'s financial risk indicators

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For calculation of the ratios, see the website, asrnl.com



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# Key take-aways

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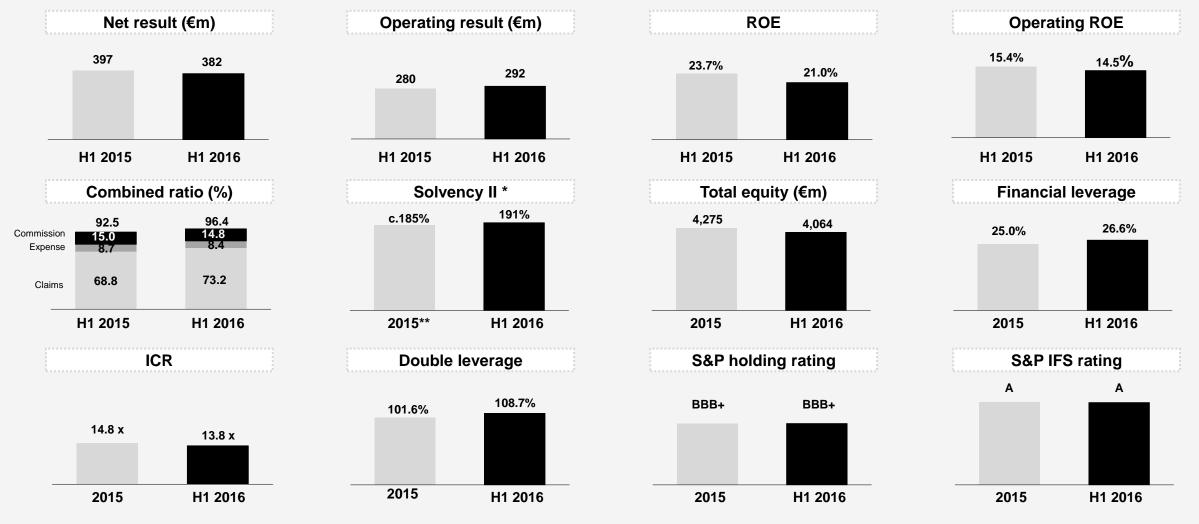
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#### A. Financial ratios

- B. Combined ratio per Product Line
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- E. Calculation of the operating ROE

# **A.** Financial ratios

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\* Calculation based on standard model; Day-one amounted to 180% \*\* After deduction of proposed dividend

#### **B.** Combined ratio per product line

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		H1 2016	H1 2015
Segment Non - Life	Claims ratio	73.2%	68.8%
	Expense ratio	8.4%	8.7%
	Commission ratio	14.8%	15.0%
sability ealth	Combined ratio	96.4%	92.5%
Disability	Claims ratio	72.3%	67.9%
	Expense ratio	8.4%	8.7%
	Commission ratio	9.5%	12.1%
	Combined ratio	90.2%	88.7%
Health	Claims ratio	92.6%	87.1%
	Expense ratio	4.4%	4.6%
	Commission ratio	1.2%	1.0%
	Combined ratio	98.2%	92.7%
Property & Casualty *	Claims ratio	62.3%	57.0%
	Expense ratio	10.7%	11.5%
	Commission ratio	26.5%	26.6%
	Combined ratio	99.5%	95.1%

\* Including travel and leisure insurance

## C. Operating result per segment

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	IFRS PROFIT BEFORE TAX	INVESTMENT RELATED	INCIDENTALS	OPERATING RESULT	IFRS PROFIT BEFORE TAX	INVESTMENT RELATED	INCIDENTALS	OPERATING RESULT	<b>Operating result:</b> adjusted for	profit before tax (i) investment income of an incidental nature (including realized capital gains, impairment losses and realized and unrealized changes in value)
		H1 201	16			H1 201	15		and	(ii) incidental items not relating to ordinary
Segment Non - life	86	-19	-5	62	155	-46	5	114		activities as a result of accounting changes, consulting fees for acquisitions, restructuring expenses, start-up costs, privatization expenses and shareholder-related expenses
Segment Life	331	-53	-5	273	442	-197	-23	222		
Segment Banking and Asset Management	4	-4	-	-	5	-1	1	5		
Segment Distribution and Services	10	-	-	10	4	-	-	4		
Segment Holding and Other	41	-6	-91	-56	-27	-37	3	-61		
Segment Real Estate development*	-10	-	10	-	-86	-	86	-		
Eliminations	16	-	-13	3	-4	-	-	-4		
Total	478	-82	-104	292	489	-281	72	280		

\* The figures of real estate development are adjusted for H1 2015.

## **D.** Calculation of the combined ratio

(€ million)	H1 2016	H1 2015
Net insurance premiums Non - life	1,148	1,115
Net insurance claims and benefits	-878	-808
Compensation capital gains (Disability)	10	11
Interest accrual on provisions (Disability)	31	31
Prudence margin (Health)	-3	-1
Total corrections	38	41
Net insurance claims and benefits (after corrections)	-840	-767
Fee and commission income	20	13
Acquisitions costs	-190	-180
Commission	-170	-167
Operational expenses	-100	-101
Correction made for investment charges	4	4
Operational costs (after corrections)	-96	-97
Claims ratio	73.2%	68.8%
Expense ratio	8.4%	8.7%
Commission ratio	14.8%	15.0%
Combined ratio	96.4%	92.5%

## E. Calculation of operating ROE

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(€ in million)	F	Restated H1 2015		H1 2016
Operating result (before tax)		559		583
Minus: Interest on hybrid instruments (1)		45		45
Operating result after hybrid costs (before tax)		514		538
Tax effect (25% tax rate)		129		135
Operating results after hybrids costs (net of taxes)		385		403
€ in millions	Dec. 2014	H1 2015	Dec. 2015	H1 2016
Equity attributable to shareholder	3,034	3,379	3,590	3,380
Minus: Unrealized gains and losses reserve (2)	737	702	686	690
Minus: IFRS Equity Real estate developments and SOS (3)	33	-62	9	24
Adjusted IFRS equity	2,264	2,739	2,895	2,666
Average adjusted IFRS equity		2,502		2,781

Operating ROE	15.4%	14.5%

<sup>1</sup> Interest on hybrid instruments is deducted to show the return to equity shareholders after hybrid costs.

<sup>2</sup> Unrealized revaluation reserves are excluded as the Operating results adjusts all capital gains and losses

<sup>3</sup> Real estate development and SOS's equity are excluded from calculation as they are also excluded from the operating result due to their 'held for sale' classification

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