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## Regulated information - **Ageas receives shareholder support in Utrecht for simplification of legal structure**

**On 29 March 2012, Ageas proposed new steps in the simplification of its legal structure. The Extraordinary General Meeting of Shareholders of ageas N.V. in Utrecht has today approved all the proposals submitted by the Board of Directors.**

The Meeting has approved the merger of ageas SA/NV and ageas N.V. and all other agenda points. All relevant documents related to the transaction as well as a Q&A can be found on http://www.ageas.com/en/Pages/simplification%20structure.aspx.

30.74% of the share capital was represented in Utrecht.

Ageas confirms that the two conditions of the merger set out in the press releases of 29 March and 16 May 2012 have been met. Subject to the approval of the Extraordinary General Meeting of Shareholders of ageas SA/NV in Brussels tomorrow and the acknowledgement of the Board of Directors on 3 August, the merger will come into effect on 7 August 2012. From an accounting perspective, the transaction will apply retrospectively as from 1 July.

**Ageas** is an international insurance company with a heritage spanning more than 180 years. Ranked among the top 20 insurance companies in Europe, Ageas has chosen to concentrate its business activities in Europe and Asia, which together make up the largest share of the global insurance market. These are grouped around four segments: Belgium, United Kingdom, Continental Europe and Asia and served through a combination of wholly owned subsidiaries and partnerships with strong financial institutions and key distributors around the world. Ageas operates successful partnerships in Belgium, UK, Luxembourg, Italy, Portugal, Turkey, China, Malaysia, India and Thailand and has subsidiaries in France, Hong Kong and UK. It is the market leader in Belgium for *individual life* and *employee benefits*, as well as a leading *non-life* player, through AG Insurance, and in the UK, it has a strong presence as the third largest player in private car insurance and the over 50's market. It employs more than 13,000 people and has annual inflows of more than EUR 17 billion.

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