

PRESS RELEASE

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Ageas and BlackRock: Transparency notification

REGULATED INFORMATION

In accordance with the rules on financial transparency*, BlackRock has notified Ageas on 2 May 2019 that, on 30 April 2019, its interest has fallen below the legal threshold of 5% of the shares issued by Ageas. Its current shareholding stands at 4.96%.

Reason for the notification

Acquisition or disposal of voting securities or voting rights
Acquisition or disposal of financial instruments that are treated as voting securities

Notification by

A parent undertaking or a controlling person

Persons subject to the notification requirement

See annex 1a

Date on which the threshold is crossed

30 April 2019

Threshold that is crossed (in %)

5% shares

Denominator

203,022,199

Notified details

See annex 1b

Chain of controlled undertakings through which the holding is effectively held, if applicable

The full chain of command can be found on <https://www.ageas.com/investors/shareholders>

Additional information

The disclosure obligation arose due to voting rights attached to shares for BlackRock, Inc. going below 5%.

* article 14, paragraph 1 of the law of 2 May 2007 on disclosure of major holdings us provisions.

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ANNEX 1a

Name	Address (for legal entities)
BlackRock, Inc.	55 East 52nd Street, New York, NY, 10055, U.S.A.
BlackRock (Netherlands) B.V.	Rembrandt Tower, 17th floor, Amstelplein, Amsterdam, Netherlands
BlackRock (Singapore) Limited	20 Anson Road #18-01, Singapore, 79912, Singapore
BlackRock Advisors (UK) Limited	12 Throgmorton Avenue, London, EC2N 2DL, U.K.
BlackRock Advisors, LLC	100 Bellevue Parkway, Wilmington, DE, 19809, U.S.A.
BlackRock Asset Management Canada Limited	161 Bay Street, Suite 2500, Toronto, Ontario, M5J 2S1, Canada
BlackRock Asset Management Deutschland AG	Lenbachplatz 1 1st Floor, Munich, 80333-MN3, Germany
BlackRock Asset Management North Asia Limited	15/F, 16/F, 17/F Citibank Tower & 17/F ICBC Tower, 3 Garden Road, Central, Hong Kong
BlackRock Financial Management, Inc.	55 East 52nd Street, New York, NY, 10055, U.S.A.
BlackRock Fund Advisors	400 Howard Street, San Francisco, CA, 94105, U.S.A.
BlackRock Institutional Trust Company, National Association	400 Howard Street, San Francisco, CA, 94105, U.S.A.
BlackRock International Limited	Exchange Place One, 1 Semple Street, Edinburgh, EH3 8BL, U.K.
BlackRock Investment Management (Australia) Limited	Level 26, 101 Collins Street, Melbourne, VIC 3000, Australia
BlackRock Investment Management (UK) Limited	12 Throgmorton Avenue, London, EC2N 2DL, U.K.
BlackRock Investment Management, LLC	1 University Square Drive, Princeton, NJ, 8540, U.S.A.
BlackRock Japan Co., Ltd.	1-8-3 Marunouchi Chiyoda-ku, Trust Tower Main, Tokyo, 100-8217, Japan

ANNEX 1b

A) Voting rights	Previous notification	After the transaction			
		# of voting rights	# of voting rights	% of voting rights	
Holders of voting rights		Linked to securities	Not linked to the securities	Linked to securities	Not linked to the securities
BlackRock, Inc.	0	0		0.00%	
BlackRock (Netherlands) B.V.	28,638	28,638		0.01%	
BlackRock (Singapore) Limited	14,848	14,848		0.01%	
BlackRock Advisors (UK) Limited	2,564,849	2,362,480		1.16%	
BlackRock Advisors, LLC	130,769	108,128		0.05%	
BlackRock Asset Management Canada Limited	134,846	134,846		0.07%	
BlackRock Asset Management Deutschland AG	370,363	370,363		0.18%	
BlackRock Asset Management North Asia Limited	23,142	23,142		0.01%	
BlackRock Financial Management, Inc.	33,257	17,755		0.01%	
BlackRock Fund Advisors	3,076,479	3,082,178		1.52%	
BlackRock Institutional Trust Company, National Association	2,765,024	2,772,751		1.37%	
BlackRock International Limited	6,853	3,980		0.00%	
BlackRock Investment Management (Australia) Limited	56,634	56,634		0.03%	
BlackRock Investment Management (UK) Limited	527,373	527,373		0.26%	
BlackRock Investment Management, LLC	334,241	341,032		0.17%	
BlackRock Japan Co., Ltd.	130,739	130,739		0.06%	
Subtotal	10,198,055	9,974,887		4.91%	
TOTAL		9,974,887	0	4.91%	0.00%

B) Equivalent financial instruments	After the transaction						
	Holders of equivalent financial instruments	Type of financial instrument	Expiration date	Exercise period or date	# of voting rights that may be acquired if the instrument is exercised	% of voting rights	Settlement
BlackRock Advisors (UK) Limited	Contract for Difference				1,614	0.00%	cash
BlackRock Advisors, LLC	Contract for Difference				3,675	0.00%	cash
BlackRock Financial Management, Inc.	Contract for Difference				33	0.00%	cash
BlackRock Institutional Trust Company, National Association	Contract for Difference				16,627	0.01%	cash
BlackRock Investment Management (UK) Limited	Contract for Difference				458	0.00%	cash
BlackRock Investment Management, LLC	Contract for Difference				74,064	0.04%	cash
BlackRock Investment Management, LLC	Depository Receipt				76	0.00%	
TOTAL					96,547	0.05%	

TOTAL (A & B)	# of voting rights	% of voting rights
CALCULATE	10,071,434	4.96%

In accordance with the rules on financial transparency*, BlackRock has notified Ageas on 30 April 2019 that, on 29 April 2019, its interest has exceeded the legal threshold of 5% of the shares issued by Ageas. Its current shareholding stands at 5.07%.

Reason for the notification

Acquisition or disposal of voting securities or voting rights

Notification by

A parent undertaking or a controlling person

Persons subject to the notification requirement

See annex 1c

Date on which the threshold is crossed

29 April 2019

Threshold that is crossed (in %)

5% shares

Denominator

203,022,199

Notified details

See annex 1d

Chain of controlled undertakings through which the holding is effectively held, if applicable

The full chain of command can be found on <https://www.ageas.com/investors/shareholders>

Additional information

The disclosure obligation arose due to voting rights attached to shares for BlackRock, Inc. going above 5%.

* article 14, paragraph 1 of the law of 2 May 2007 on disclosure of major holdings us provisions.

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BlackRock, Inc.	55 East 52nd Street, New York, NY, 10055, U.S.A.
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BlackRock Advisors (UK) Limited	12 Throgmorton Avenue, London, EC2N 2DL, U.K.
BlackRock Advisors, LLC	100 Bellevue Parkway, Wilmington, DE, 19809, U.S.A.
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BlackRock International Limited	Exchange Place One, 1 Semple Street, Edinburgh, EH3 8BL, U.K.
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BlackRock (Netherlands) B.V.	28,638	28,638		0.01%	
BlackRock (Singapore) Limited	14,848	14,848		0.01%	
BlackRock Advisors (UK) Limited	2,358,798	2,564,849		1.26%	
BlackRock Advisors, LLC	130,769	130,769		0.06%	
BlackRock Asset Management Canada Limited	134,846	134,846		0.07%	
BlackRock Asset Management Deutschland AG	369,909	370,363		0.18%	
BlackRock Asset Management North Asia Limited	23,142	23,142		0.01%	
BlackRock Financial Management, Inc.	33,257	33,257		0.02%	
BlackRock Fund Advisors	3,076,479	3,076,479		1.52%	
BlackRock Institutional Trust Company, National Association	2,768,620	2,765,024		1.36%	
BlackRock International Limited	6,853	6,853		0.00%	
BlackRock Investment Management (Australia) Limited	56,634	56,634		0.03%	
BlackRock Investment Management (UK) Limited	527,373	527,373		0.26%	
BlackRock Investment Management, LLC	331,805	334,241		0.16%	
BlackRock Japan Co., Ltd.	132,658	130,739		0.06%	
Subtotal	9,994,629	10,198,055		5.02%	
TOTAL		10,198,055	0	5.02%	0.00%

B) Equivalent financial instruments	After the transaction						
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BlackRock Advisors (UK) Limited	Contract for Difference				1,614	0.00%	cash
BlackRock Advisors, LLC	Contract for Difference				3,675	0.00%	cash
BlackRock Institutional Trust Company, National Association	Contract for Difference				16,811	0.01%	cash
BlackRock Investment Management (UK) Limited	Contract for Difference				458	0.00%	cash
BlackRock Investment Management, LLC	Contract for Difference				73,953	0.04%	cash
BlackRock Investment Management, LLC	Depository Receipt				76	0.00%	
TOTAL					96,587	0.05%	

TOTAL (A & B)	# of voting rights	% of voting rights
CALCULATE	10,294,642	5.07%

In accordance with the rules on financial transparency*, BlackRock has notified Ageas on 29 April 2019 that, on 26 April 2019, its interest has fallen below the legal threshold of 5% of the shares issued by Ageas. Its current shareholding stands at 4.97%.

Reason for the notification

Acquisition or disposal of voting securities or voting rights

Notification by

A parent undertaking or a controlling person

Persons subject to the notification requirement

See annex 1e

Date on which the threshold is crossed

26 April 2019

Threshold that is crossed (in %)

5% shares

Denominator

203,022,199

Notified details

See annex 1f

Chain of controlled undertakings through which the holding is effectively held, if applicable

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BlackRock (Netherlands) B.V.	27,703	28,638		0.01%	
BlackRock (Singapore) Limited	14,848	14,848		0.01%	
BlackRock Advisors (UK) Limited	2,735,648	2,358,798		1.16%	
BlackRock Advisors, LLC	150,619	130,769		0.06%	
BlackRock Asset Management Canada Limited	130,144	134,846		0.07%	
BlackRock Asset Management Deutschland AG	381,724	369,909		0.18%	
BlackRock Asset Management North Asia Limited	23,142	23,142		0.01%	
BlackRock Financial Management, Inc.	44,673	33,257		0.02%	
BlackRock Fund Advisors	3,068,309	3,076,479		1.52%	
BlackRock Institutional Trust Company, National Association	2,649,534	2,768,620		1.36%	
BlackRock International Limited	12,769	6,853		0.00%	
BlackRock Investment Management (Australia) Limited	58,313	56,634		0.03%	
BlackRock Investment Management (UK) Limited	523,499	527,373		0.26%	
BlackRock Investment Management, LLC	286,582	331,805		0.16%	
BlackRock Japan Co., Ltd.	131,464	132,658		0.07%	
Subtotal	10,238,971	9,994,629		4.92%	
TOTAL		9,994,629	0	4.92%	0.00%

B) Equivalent financial instruments	After the transaction						
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BlackRock Advisors, LLC	Contract for Difference				3,675	0.00%	cash
BlackRock Institutional Trust Company, National Association	Contract for Difference				18,374	0.01%	cash
BlackRock Investment Management (UK) Limited	Contract for Difference				458	0.00%	cash
BlackRock Investment Management, LLC	Contract for Difference				73,953	0.04%	cash
BlackRock Investment Management, LLC	Depository Receipt				76	0.00%	
TOTAL					98,150	0.05%	

TOTAL (A & B)	# of voting rights	% of voting rights
CALCULATE	10,092,779	4.97%

This [press release](#) and the notifications received by Ageas are available on the [website](#).

Ageas is a listed international insurance Group with a heritage spanning 190 years. It offers Retail and Business customers Life and Non-Life insurance products designed to suit their specific needs, today and tomorrow. As one of Europe's larger insurance companies, Ageas concentrates its activities in Europe and Asia, which together make up the major part of the global insurance market. It operates successful insurance businesses in Belgium, the UK, France, Portugal, Turkey, China, Malaysia, India, Thailand, Vietnam, Laos, Cambodia, Singapore, and the Philippines through a combination of wholly owned subsidiaries and long term partnerships with strong financial institutions and key distributors. Ageas ranks among the market leaders in the countries in which it operates. It represents a staff force of over 45,000 people and reported annual inflows of over EUR 34 billion in 2018 (all figures at 100%).