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Commerzbank receives hybrid capital instruments, subordinated debt securities and other capital instruments with an aggregate principal amount of EUR 965 m as contribution in kind in exchange for 360,509,967 new shares issued from authorised capital

As part of its capital management, Commerzbank's Board of Managing Directors, with the approval of the Supervisory Board, has resolved upon the details of the capital measure announced on February 23, 2012. In this connection, the subscribed capital of Commerzbank will be increased by 7 % (360,509,967 shares) using the Bank's authorised capital ('genehmigtes Kapital'); shareholders' pre-emptive rights were excluded.

The selected securities to be contributed to Commerzbank comprise hybrid capital instruments, subordinated debt securities and other capital instruments issued by Commerzbank and other companies with an aggregate principal amount of EUR 965 million. To enable an efficient acquisition of these capital instruments, Goldman Sachs International ('Goldman Sachs') will intermediate this transaction and acquire these securities as offeror from qualified investors outside the United States for the purpose of exchange against new Commerzbank shares. Goldman Sachs will therefore also subscribe for 360,509,967 new Commerzbank shares against the contribution in kind of the acquired capital instruments to Commerzbank. The investors will therefore receive a total number of 360,509,967 Commerzbank shares from Goldman Sachs.

The transaction will lead to a post-tax positive effect of EUR 87 million in the consolidated results of Commerzbank pursuant to IFRS and will increase the Core Tier 1 capital by EUR 776 million in the first half of 2012. In addition, the transaction will have an aggregate positive effect of EUR 484 million on the pre-tax result of Commerzbank pursuant to IFRS through December 31, 2017. This is due to reduced coupon payment obligations (subject to the fulfilment of the conditions for coupon payments for the respective capital instruments) on the remaining aggregate principal amount of the capital instruments after the transaction and due to specific effects under IFRS for certain securities accepted in the exchange. The latter is due to the resulting adjustment of the purchase price allocation of the assets and liabilities of the former Dresdner Bank which included these securities.

The German Financial Market Stabilisation Fund (SoFFin) will continue to maintain its equity interest ratio in Commerzbank (25% plus one share) upon completion of the transaction. For this purpose it has been agreed, that a corresponding portion of the silent participation held by SoFFin will be converted into 120,169,989 shares, using the conditional capital authorised in the 2011 Annual General Meeting of shareholders.

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more of (i) an average of at least 250 employees during the last financial year; (ii) a total balance sheet of more than EUR 43,000,000; and (iii) an annual net turnover of more than EUR 50,000,000 as shown in their last annual or consolidated accounts.

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