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RECOMMENDATION OF THE EUROPEAN CENTRAL BANK

of 29 July 2025

to the Council of the European Union on the external auditors of De Nederlandsche Bank

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THE GOVERNING COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN CENTRAL BANK,

Having regard to the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union,

Having regard to the Statute of the European System of Central Banks and of the European Central Bank, and in particular Article 27.1 thereof,

Whereas:

(1) The accounts of the European Central Bank (ECB) and the national central banks of the Member States whose currency is the euro are audited by independent external auditors recommended by the ECB's Governing Council and approved by the Council of the European Union.

(2) The mandate of De Nederlandsche Bank's external auditors, KPMG Accountants N.V., will end after the audit for the financial year 2025. It is therefore necessary to appoint external auditors from the financial year 2026.

(3) De Nederlandsche Bank has selected EY Accountants B.V. as its external auditors for the financial years 2026 to 2032,

HAS ADOPTED THIS RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that EY Accountants B.V. should be appointed as the external auditors of De Nederlandsche Bank for the financial years 2026 to 2032.

Done at Frankfurt am Main, 29 July 2025.

The President of the ECB
Christine LAGARDE