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# BNP Paribas Well Positioned in the 2009 Environment

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*2008 results of operating divisions with Basel II normative equity*





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# Key Figures

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- Net income group share
- ROE after tax
- Dividend\*

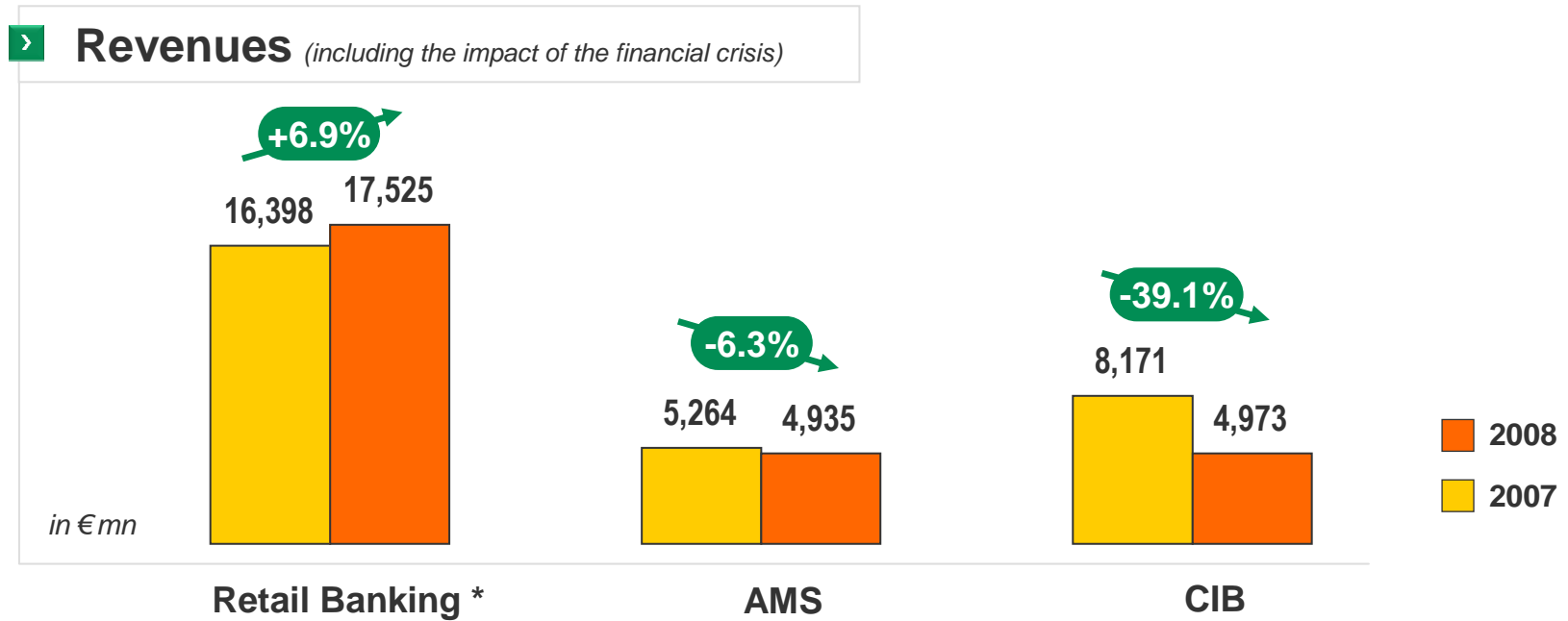
>	2008	>	2008/2007
	€3,021mn		-61.4%
	6.6%	>	2007
	€1.00		€3.35



**3 billion euros in net income despite an unprecedented deepening of the financial crisis since September**



# Revenues



> **Retail Banking and AMS held up well**

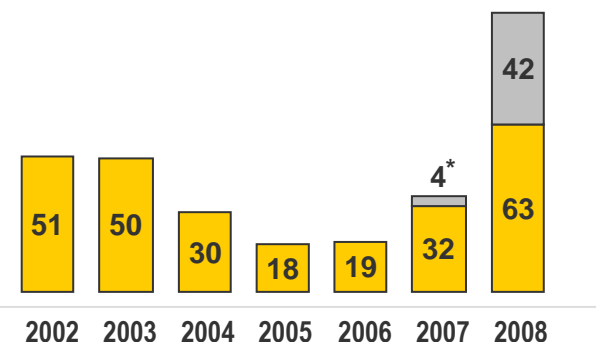


# Cost of Risk

- Sharp rise in the cost of risk in 2008: €5.7bn vs €1.7bn in 2007
- Impact of cost of risk related to market counterparties: €2.2bn
  - Impact of one-off items (of which Lehman, Icelandic banks, Madoff, monoline insurers)
- Impact of the economic downturn in the U.S. (BancWest: +€0.3bn), in Personal Finance (+€0.5bn) then in Ukraine (+€0.3bn)
- Domestic markets: lowest household indebtedness ratios in Europe
  - France: mortgages primarily at fixed rate and well secured
  - Italy: contained household exposure and good quality mortgages, close monitoring of lending to small and medium enterprises

## > Cost of risk - Group

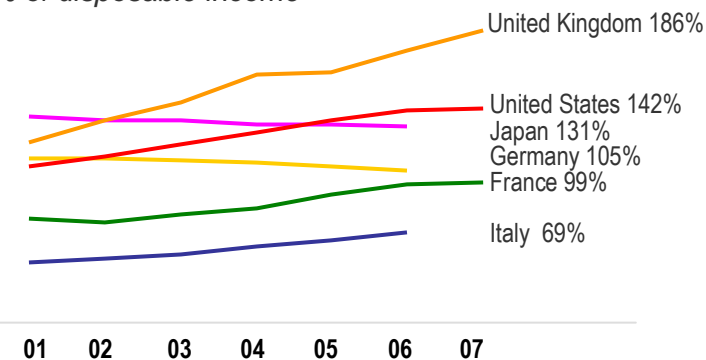
net provisions/Risk-Weighted Assets under Basel I (in bp)



\* Impact of capital markets and of BancWest's investment portfolio

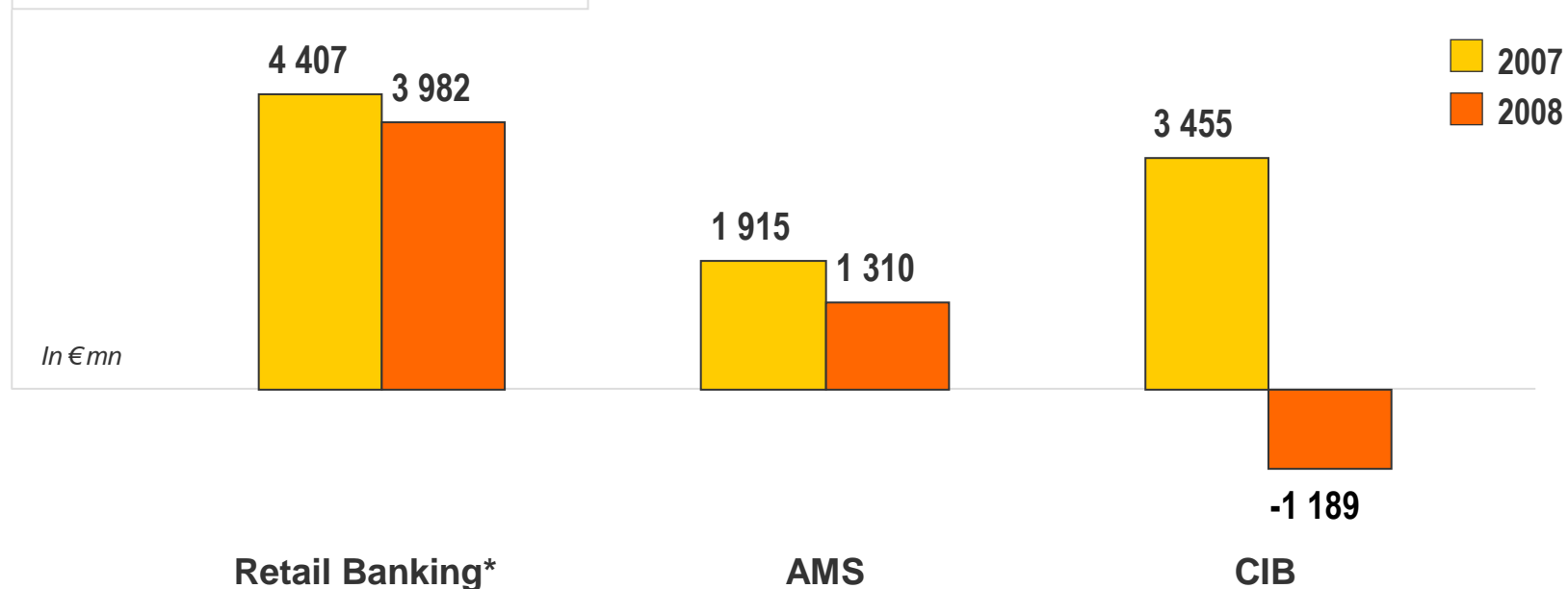
## > Household debt \*\*

in % of disposable income



# Pre-Tax Income

## > Pre-tax income\*



Pre-Tax ROE

Retail Banking\*

> 24.6%

AMS

> 28.2%

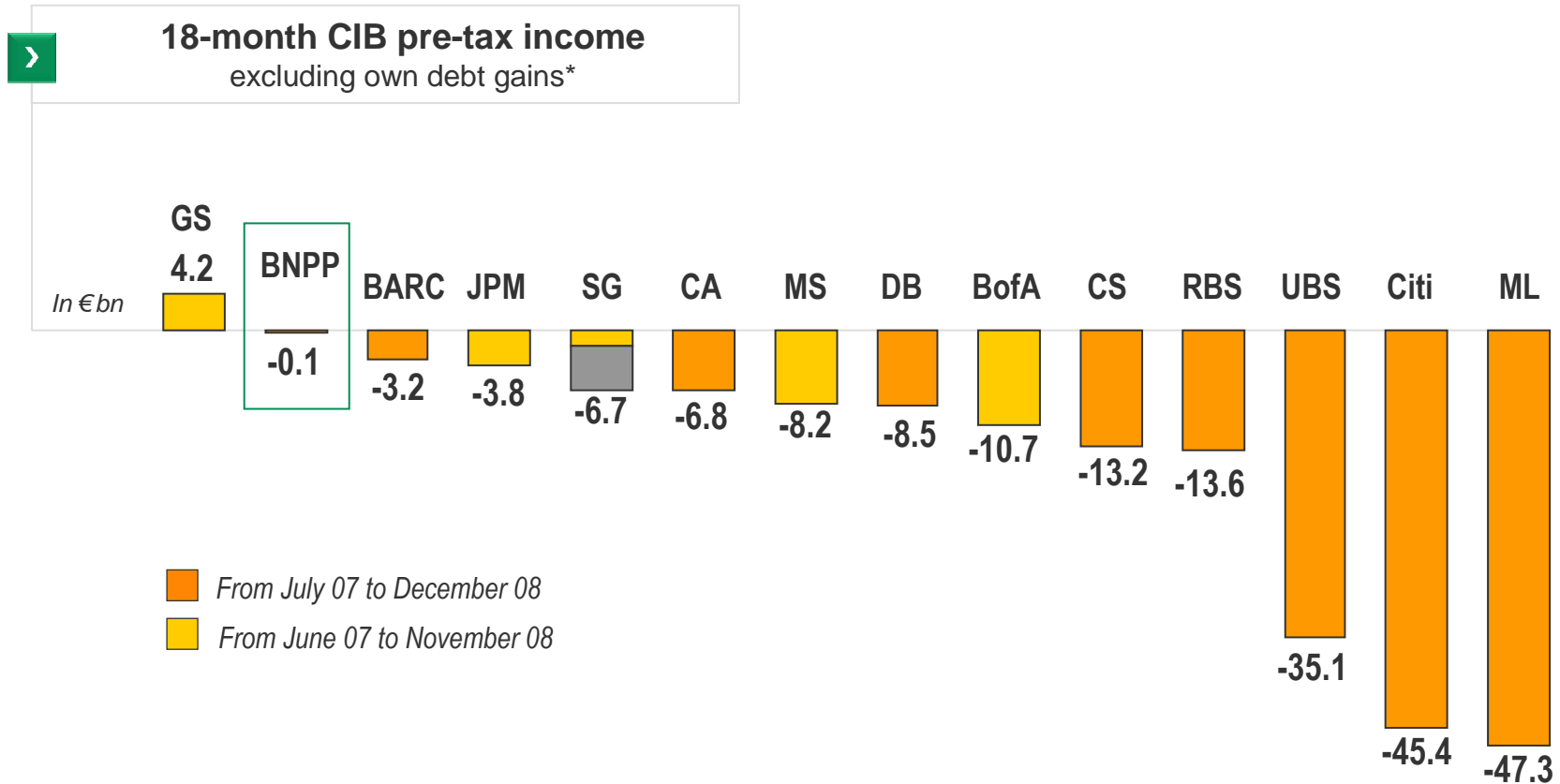
CIB

> n.s.

> **Significant profitability in Retail Banking and AMS despite the downturn in the environment**



# CIB Results Since the Beginning of the Crisis



**BNP Paribas held up well despite 4Q08 results**







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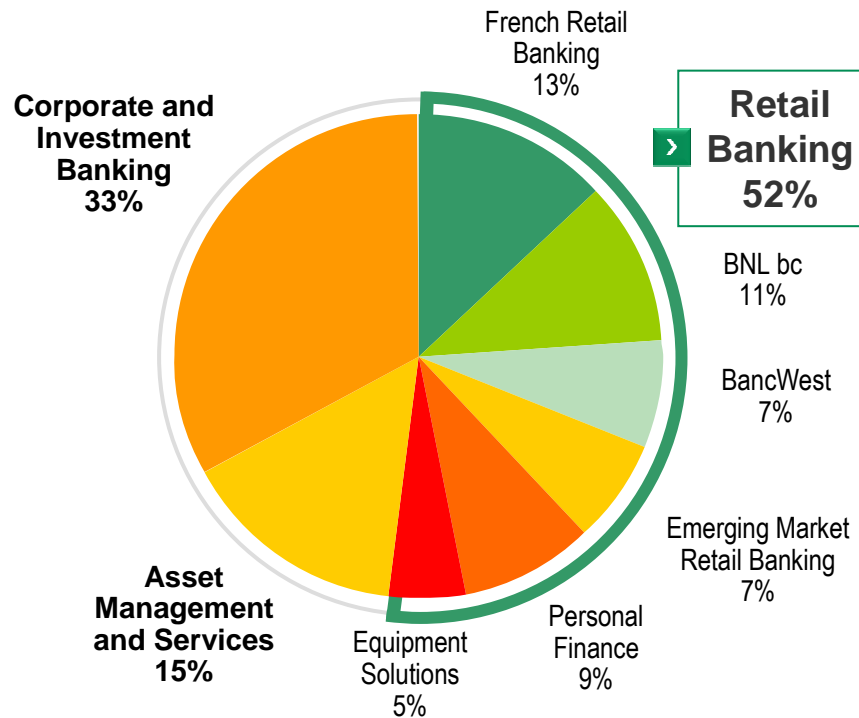
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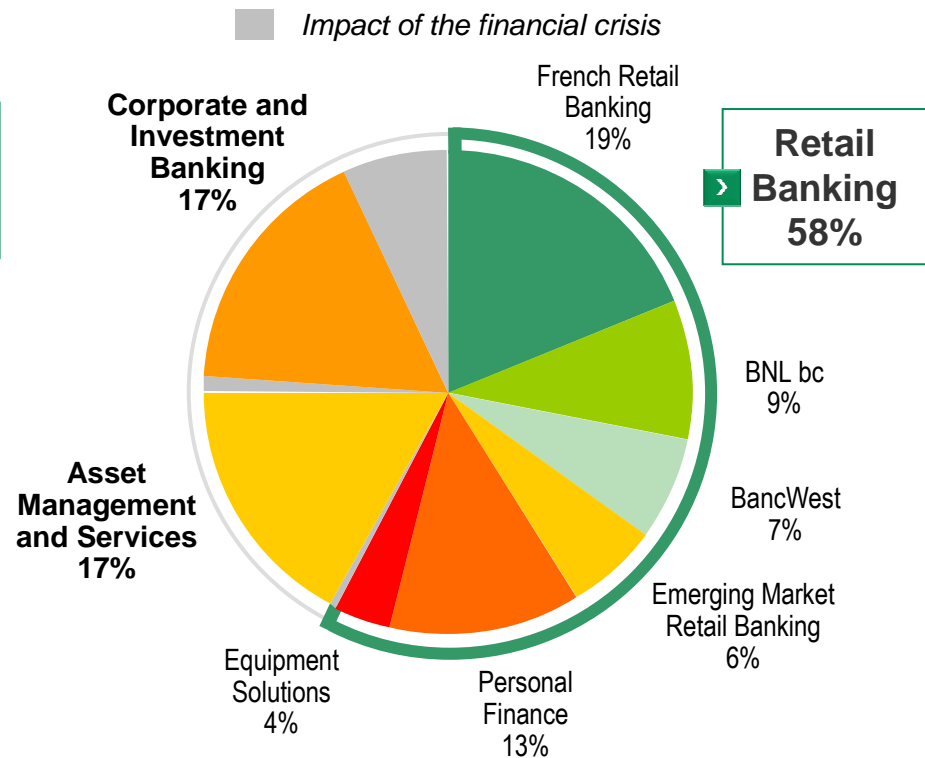
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# Business Mix

> 2008 allocated equity  
31.2bn€



> 2008 revenues, adjusted for direct impact of the financial crisis: 29.6bn€\*



> Well diversified business mix with a strong retail base



(\*) Operating divisions only, excluding the impact of the financial crisis

# Retail Banking

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- Creation of “Retail Banking”, which includes all BNP Paribas’ retail banking activities, with new resources
  - New corporate functions will manage cross-cutting businesses and projects (Marketing, Development, Brand, United States, Private Banking and HR)
  - Creation of “Retail Banking Information Systems”
  - Emerging Markets Retail Banking converted into an integrated operating entity
- Four objectives
  - Lead the Group’s development initiatives in retail banking
  - Pool expertise
  - Promote industrialisation and share large-scale investments
  - Expand cross-selling

- 6,000 branches
- 16mn bank customers
- #1 provider of consumer lending in Europe

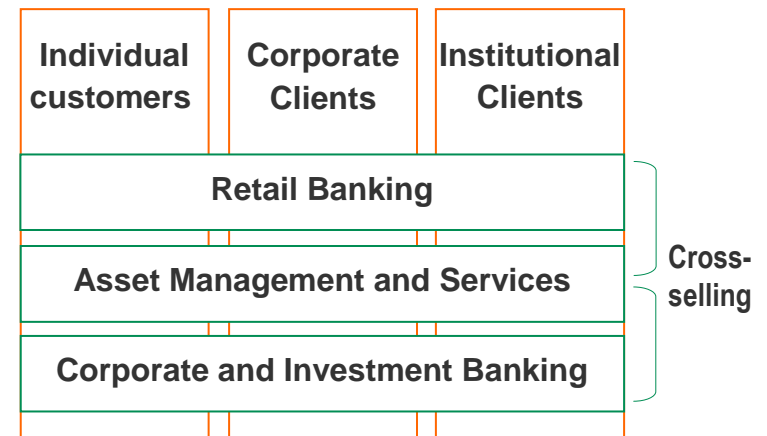


**Accelerate the development  
and the overall coherence of retail banking activities**



# Integrated Banking Model

- All group activities are core
  - Retail banking provides critical mass of customers
  - AMS: asset gathering arm of BNP Paribas
  - CIB: clear action plan to adapt the platform to the new environment
- Important cross selling skills developed since the creation of BNP Paribas
  - Initially implemented in France
  - Rolled out in full in Italy and selectively in Emerging Markets
- Intensify cross selling culture
  - Management exchanges between businesses



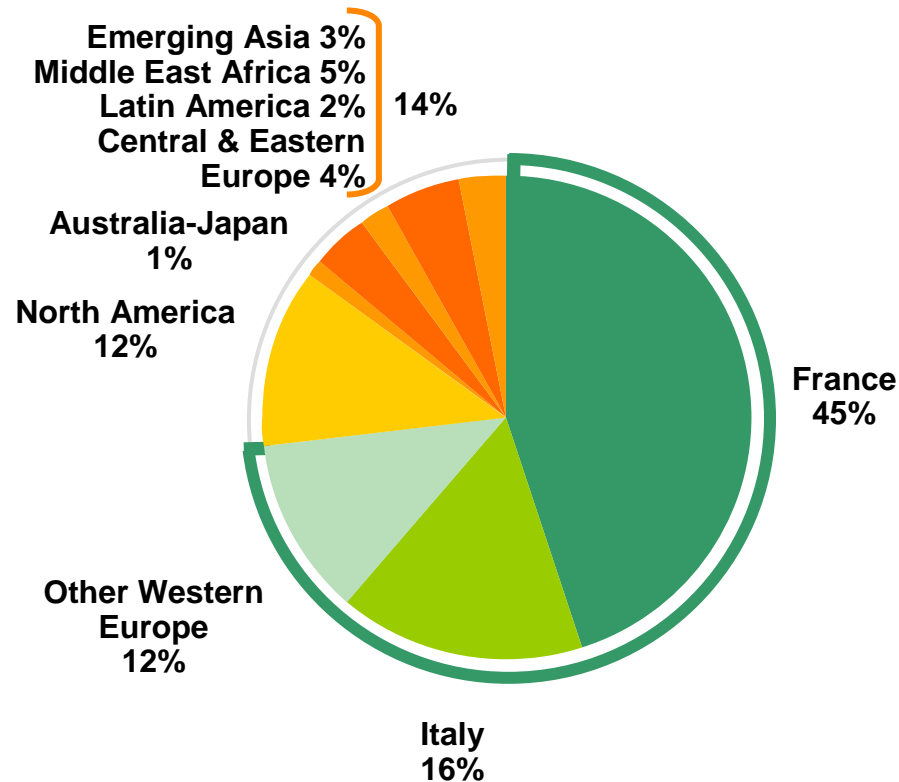
**Extract further value from the franchise**



# Geographic Mix

- Limited reliance on emerging markets
  - Central & Eastern Europe: 4%
- Limited goodwill from risky regions
  - Emerging countries: €764mn only, including UkrSibbank €119mn
  - BancWest: no acquisition since December 2005

> 2008 revenues\*

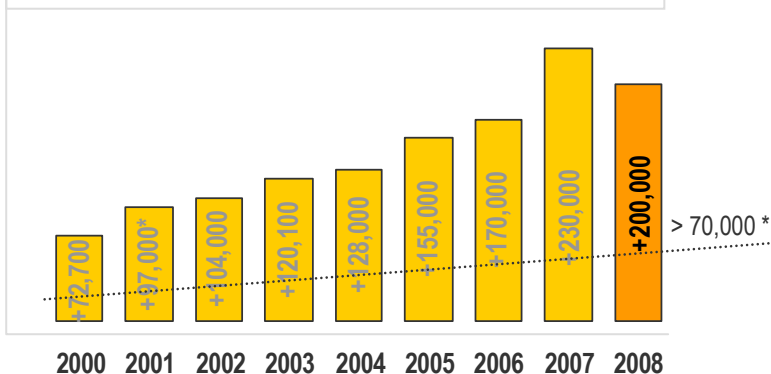


> **73% Western Europe: a pan European Group  
o/w 61% in France and Italy**

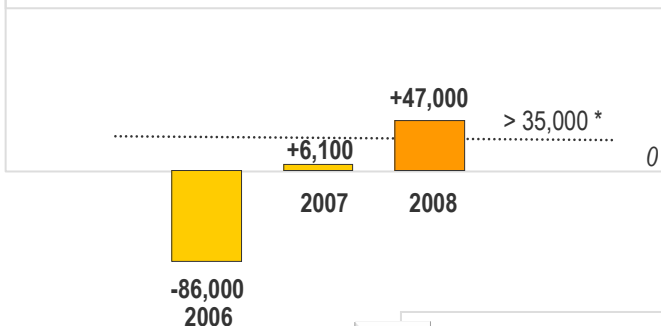


# Market Share Gains

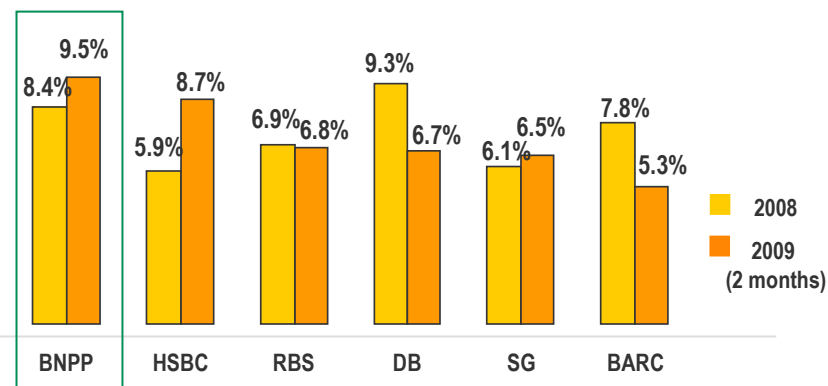
## > FRB: net increase in the number of individual accounts



## > BNL bc: net increase in the number of individual accounts



## > CIB: Euro bond bookrunner league table (Euro all bonds market share – Top 6) \*\*



## > AMS: 2008 net asset inflows

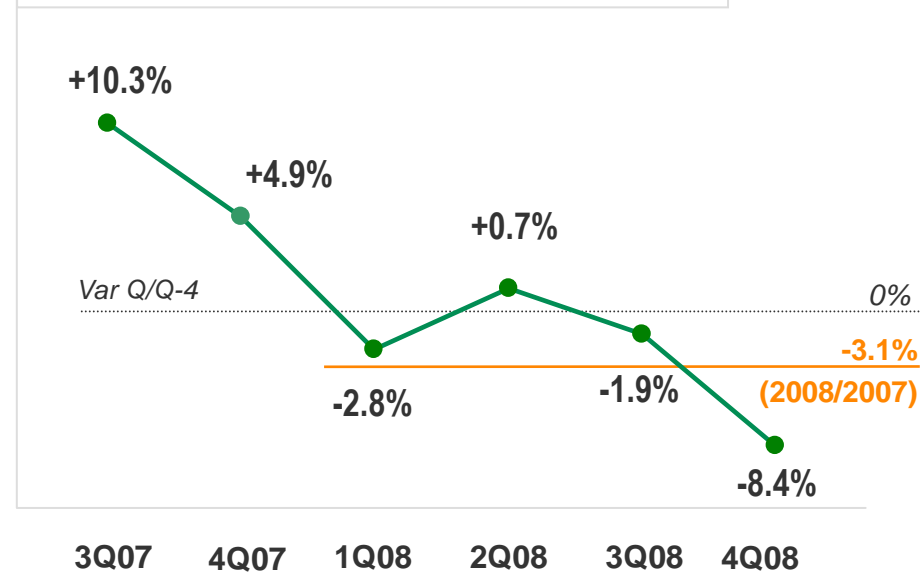


> **Enhanced attractiveness**



# Cost Flexibility

## > Operating expenses variation \*



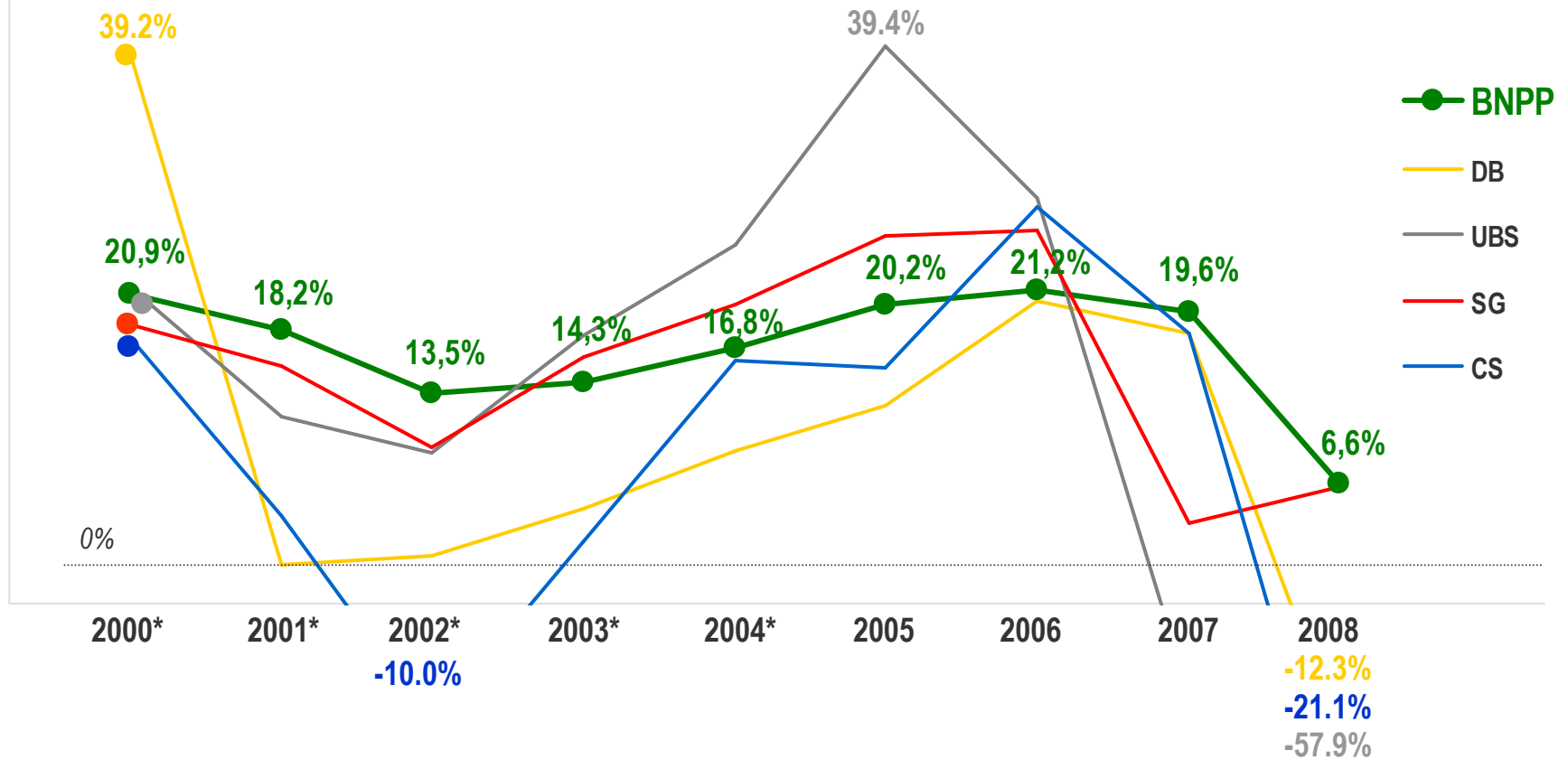
- Cost adjustment measures in all divisions
- Sharp reduction in bonuses

## > Rapid adjustment in cost management



# RoE

## > Return on Equity



> Attention paid to the risk/return ratio across the cycle







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# De-risking Corporate and Investment Banking

## Strong measures to reduce risk



- Reduce market risk, well under way
  - Reduce the VaR
  - Reduce Stress Test sensitivity
  - Reduce illiquid structural risks,
  - Reduce basis risk

- Sharply decrease risk-weighted assets
  - Market risk: effects of the risk reduction strategy
  - Credit risk: stabilise despite the procyclical effects of Basel II
- Increase selectivity on credit and counterparty risks

## Reactive adaptation

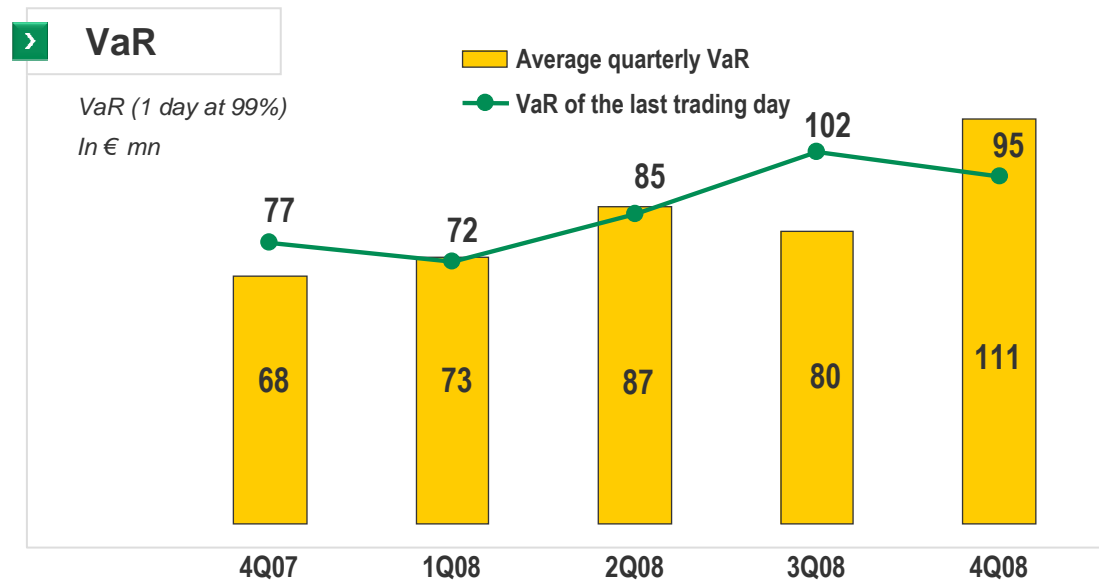


- Adapt the product and service offering to new client demand and risk appetite
  - Continue to develop flow business
  - Develop tailor-made hedging solutions
  - Down size the most complex structured product business

- Streamline the organisation
  - Priority focus on leadership in Europe
  - Adapt the US platform and the network of operations in emerging countries
  - Reduce the cost base



# Reduce VaR to Weather Adverse Markets



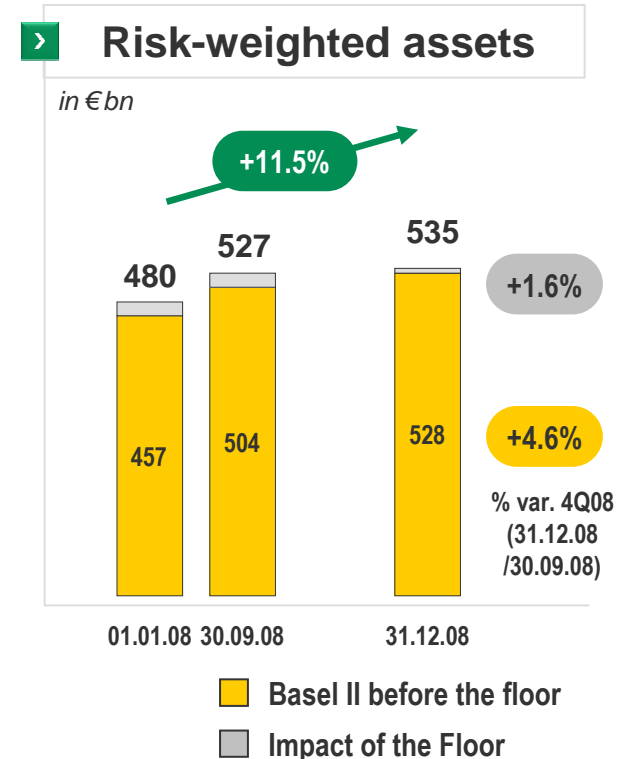
- Average VaR up sharply in 4Q08, with a peak in October
  - Without increasing positions
  - Abrupt change in the level of market parameters, in particular for interest rates and equity markets
  - 3 days of losses beyond the VaR in October in an environment of extreme and repeated shocks on all markets
- Curbing the VaR as at 31.12.08
  - Impact of reduced positions and the easing of certain parameters at the end of the year on equities and credit

**> Only 7 days of losses beyond the VaR in 2008**



# Risk-Weighted Assets (Basel II)

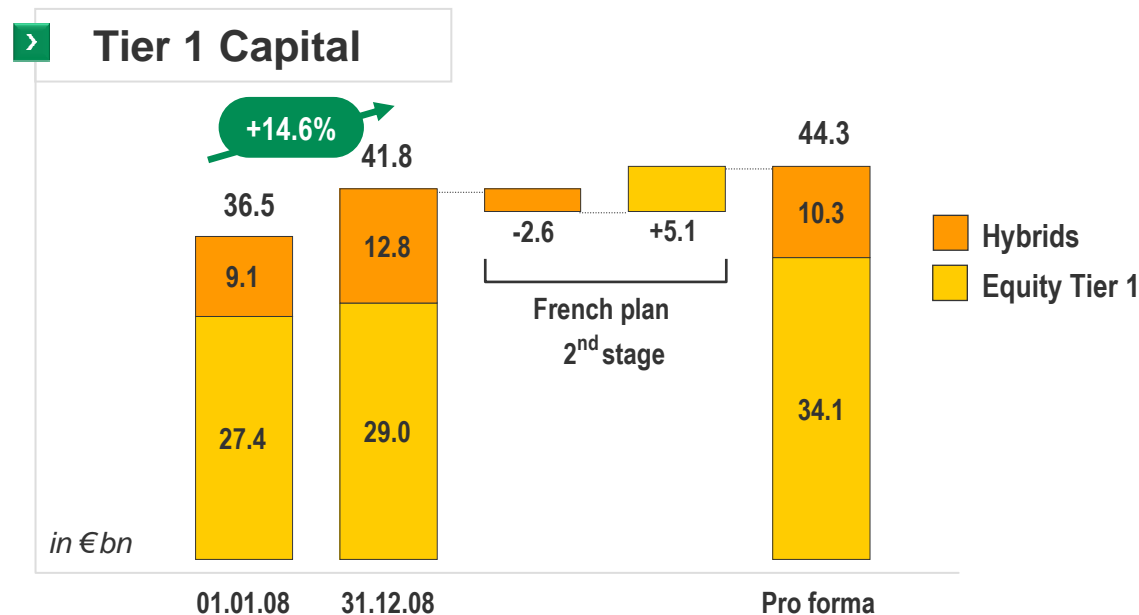
- Risk-weighted assets: +11.5%/01.01.08
- Rise from €527bn (as at 30.09.08) to €535bn including floor, only +1.6% in 4Q08
- Rise from €504bn to €528bn excluding floor, +4.6% (+€24bn)
  - Effect of market risk, including the impact of the volatility on VaR: +€15bn
  - Effect of falling equity markets on investment portfolio: +€10bn
  - Effect of the transfer of trading assets to the Banking book: €2bn
  - Decline in the outstandings of CIB's financing businesses: -€9bn
- 2009 target: €20bn reduction throughout the Group at constant scope and exchange rates
  - Sharp decline for CIB
  - Stabilisation in international retail
  - Continue to pursue growth in France (+4%/2008) and in Italy



**> 2009 risk-weighted assets reduction program**



# Equity



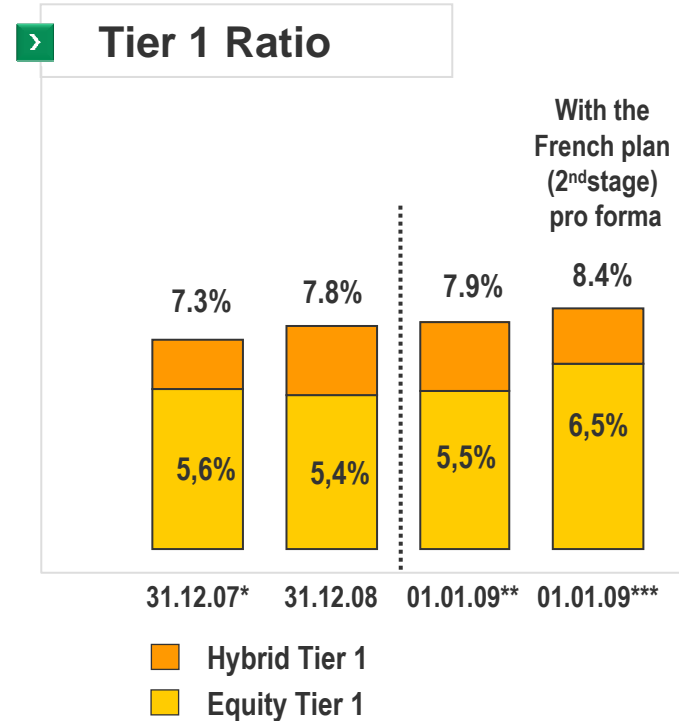
- Tier 1 Capital: €41.8bn, +14.6%/01.01.08 (+€5.3bn)
  - Excluding hybrids: €29.0bn, +5.8%/01.01.08 (+€1.6bn)
- Contribution of €5.1bn from the French economic stimulus plan
  - 1<sup>st</sup> stage (December): issuance of €2.55bn non-innovative hybrids
  - 2<sup>nd</sup> stage: issuance of €5.1bn non-voting shares and to redeem the first tranche of €2.55bn in hybrids

## Reinforcing equity



# Solvency

- Tier 1 Ratio at 7.8% as at 31.12.08
  - Adapted to BNP Paribas' risk profile
  - After a proposed dividend of €1.00
- Effect of the lowering of the floor: +0.1pt as at 01.01.09
- Impact of the contribution to the second stage of the French economic stimulus plan: +50bp
  - Tier 1 Ratio at 8.4% pro forma
- 2009 targets
  - Increase equity by generating earnings
  - Reduce risk-weighted assets (+30bp)
- In the medium term, maintain a Tier 1 ratio above 7.5%



**Capital management adapted to the environment**

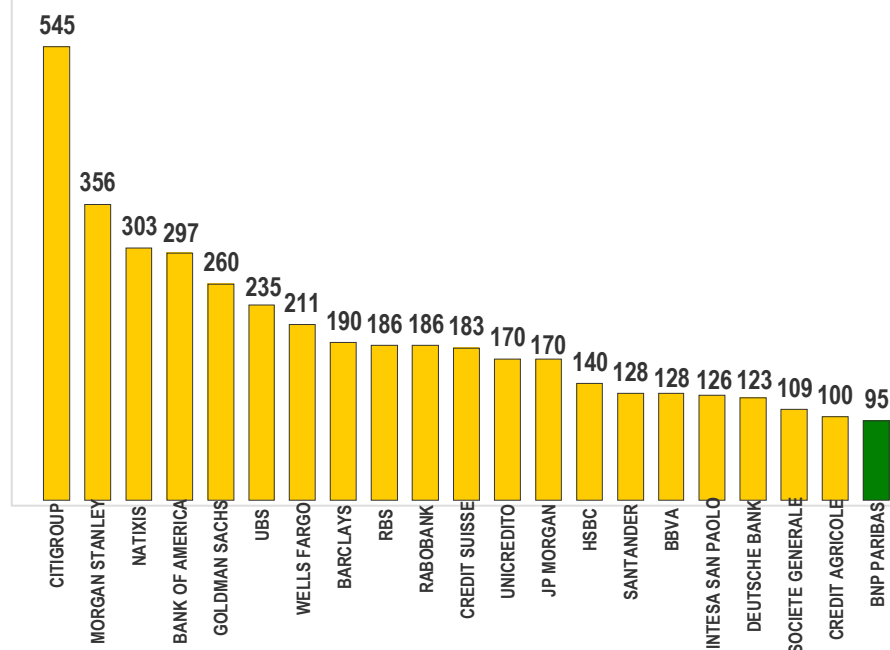


# Liquidity

- Loan to deposit ratio reduced to 119% vs 129% as at 31.12.07
- The lowest CDS spread of the peer group
  - One of the 6 best rated banks by S&P
- Benchmark issues post Lehman
  - First senior debt issue: €1.5bn with a 5-year maturity in Dec. 2008
  - First covered bond issue: €1.5bn with a 5-year maturity in Jan. 2009
- March 18: €1.5bn 3-years maturity issue
  - 140bp over swap at issuance
  - Secondary market holding up well
- 2009 MLT issue programme: €30bn
  - €12.6 bn already completed or under way

## > 5-year senior CDS spreads

in bp as at 24.03.09



Source: Bloomberg



**A very proactive approach  
drawing on a major competitive advantage**



# Cost Management

- Adapt the cost base to the 2009 environment
- CIB: reduce costs
  - Adapt the US platform and operations in emerging countries
  - Reduce the cost base (excluding variable compensation) by 5% on a full year basis
- AMS: very selective acquisitions
  - Optimise the international network
- Retail Banking: very selective growth
  - FRB and BNL bc: maintain costs at their 2008 level
  - BancWest and Personal Finance: improve operating efficiency
  - UkrSibbank: downsize and streamline the branch network

## Retail Banking 2009 operating efficiency targets

	Jaws
French Retail Banking	+1%
BNL bc	+5%
Personal Finance	+2%



**Group: stabilise costs in 2009\*/2008,  
excluding variable compensation**







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## New Deal Outline

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- Acquisition of 75% of Fortis Bank Belgium and 16% of Fortis Bank Luxembourg by BNP Paribas
  - Paid in BNP Paribas shares
- Acquisition of 25% of Fortis Insurance Belgium by Fortis Bank Belgium
  - Paid in cash
  - Strategic industrial partnership between Fortis Bank Belgium and Fortis Insurance Belgium
- Ring fencing of most impaired structured credit assets
  - Equity tranche: €1.7bn, o/w 12% for BNP Paribas
  - Senior debt tranche: €4.85bn o/w 10% for BNP Paribas and the rest for Fortis Bank, fully guaranteed by the Belgian state
  - Super senior debt tranche: €4.85bn for Fortis bank
- Partial guarantee from the Belgian state of the portfolio of structured assets remaining on Fortis Bank Belgium's balance sheet (nominal value of ~€21.5bn)
  - Guarantee of a second loss tranche up to €1.5bn beyond a first loss of €3.5bn
- New mechanism for maintaining the Tier 1 ratio of Fortis Bank Belgium at 9.2%



**More embedded security, given the environment**



# Fortis Industrial Project

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- Creation of a leading European banking group with 4 domestic markets in retail banking
- Become #1 deposit base in the Eurozone with more than €540bn and a loan to deposit ratio of 120%
- Extension of BNP Paribas' integrated retail-banking model to Belgium and Luxembourg
  - Includes strong bancassurance partnership with Fortis Insurance Belgium
- Greater scale in the strategic businesses of asset management and private banking, with more than €660bn in assets under management for the combined group
  - #1 private bank in the Eurozone
  - #5 asset manager in Europe



**EPS accretive as early as 2010, excluding restructuring costs  
Tier 1 neutral**

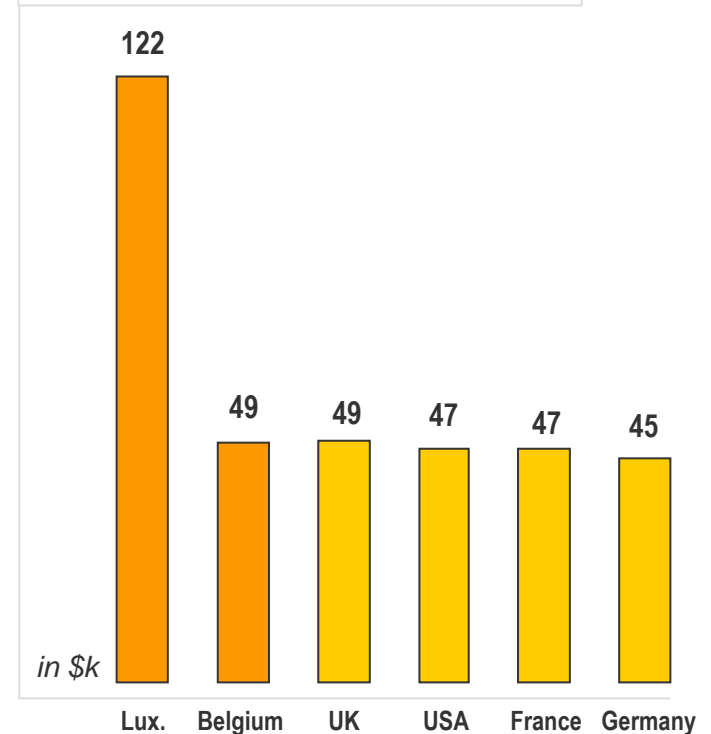


# Fortis Market Shares

- Network
  - Branches
  - Private banking centres
  - Business centres
- Clients
- Market position
  - Retail banking (deposits)
  - Consumer lending

	Belgium	Luxembourg
Branches	1,064	37
Private banking centres	10	3
Business centres	22	1
Clients	3mn	280k
Retail banking (deposits)	#1	#1
Consumer lending	#2	#2

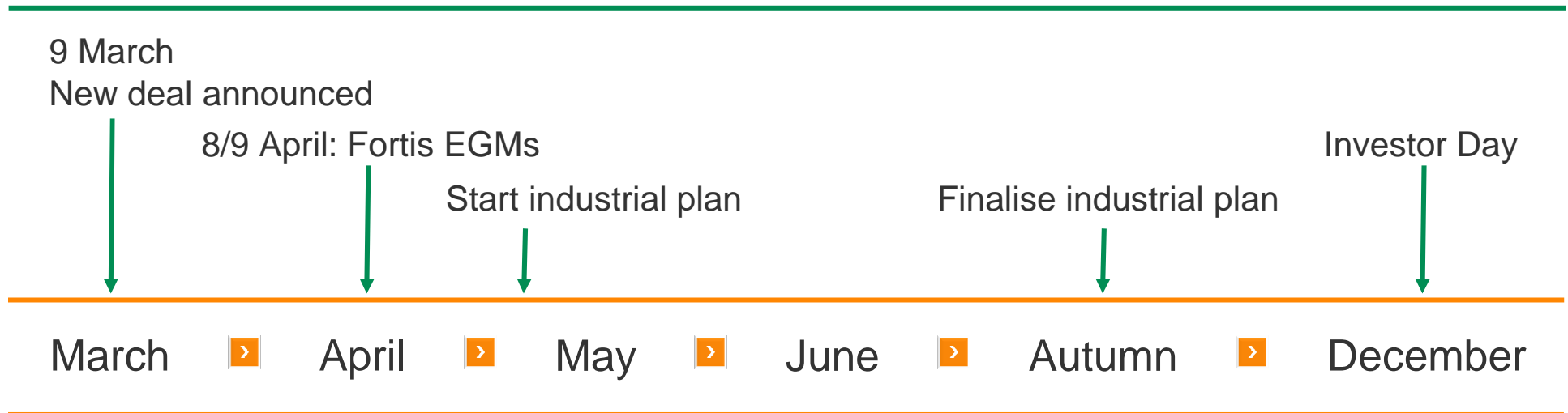
> 2009E GDP per capita



> **A unique opportunity to acquire a #1 position in two of the wealthiest countries in Europe**



# Fortis Time Table\*



## Closing

**Stage 1**  
Acquisition of a controlling stake  
in Fortis Bank Belgium

**Stage 2**  
BNP Paribas' EGM to approve the acquisition  
of a further 21% stake in Fortis Bank Belgium  
and a 16% stake in Fortis Bank Luxembourg

**> Operational tie-up to start immediately after closing/stage 1**

*\* Subject to approval by banking and insurance regulators, in particular the CBFA and the CECEI, the competent antitrust authorities and the European Commission*





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- > Confirmed resilience of business model and global positioning despite an unprecedented crisis since September**
- > Adaptation to the new environment well under way**
- > BNP Paribas well positioned to withstand 2009 challenges**





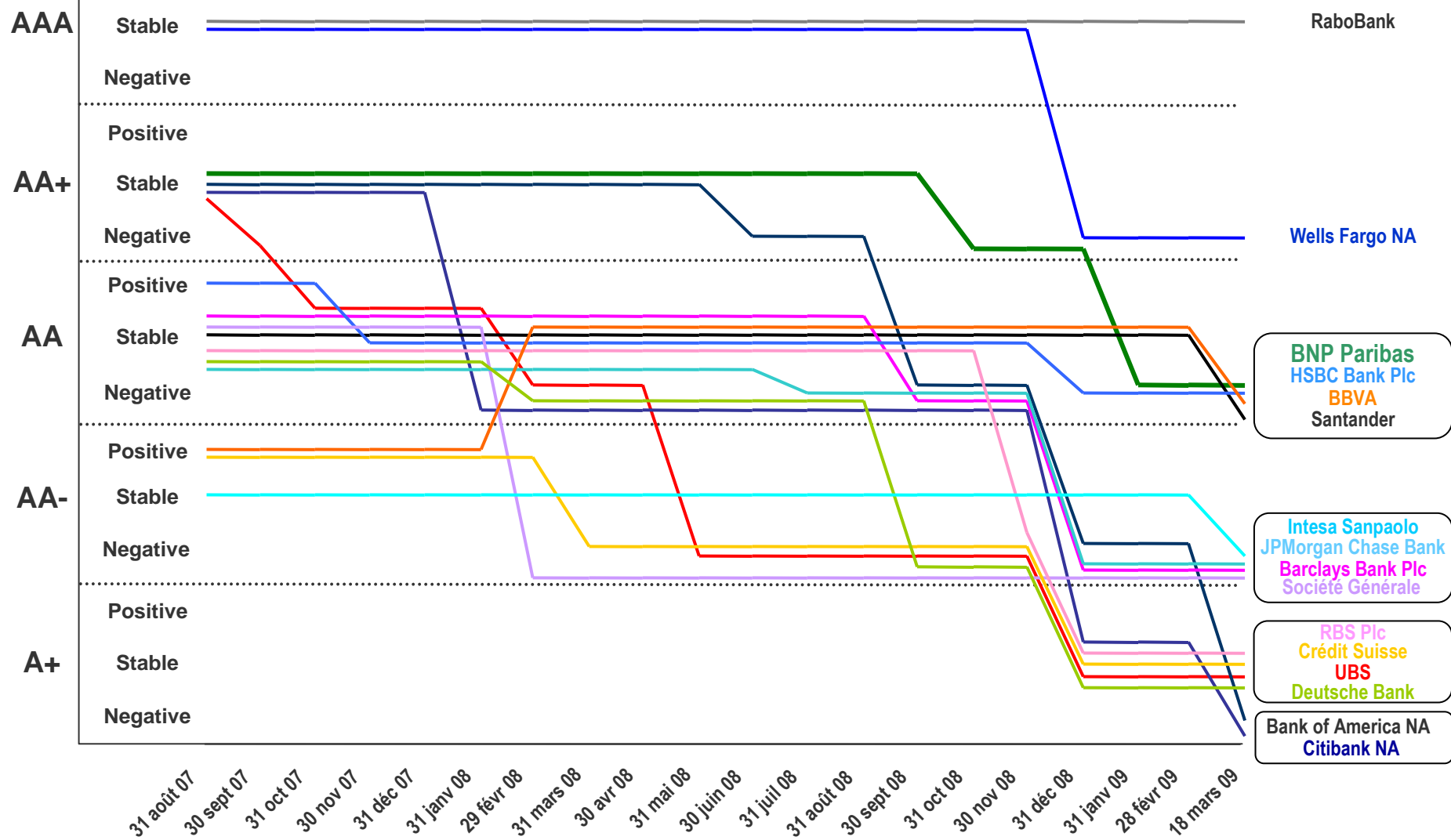
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# Evolution of S&P Ratings Since August 2007



Data Source : BNP Paribas Credit Data Application and Bloomberg



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# Non-Voting Shares

## A New Capital Instrument Under French Law

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- Non-voting shares are equity
  - Issued at ordinary share's price (average price of 30 days preceding the issue)
  - Losses absorbed *pari-passu* with common stocks in the event of liquidation as well as continued operation
  - Non-cumulative dividend, paid only if a dividend is paid to ordinary shares
  - Rank as Tier 1 without any ceiling
- No voting rights
  - No voting or subscription rights
  - No government intervention in the Group's management
  - Non-convertible
- Preferential but capped remuneration
  - Remuneration greater than ordinary dividends: 105% in 2009 with a minimal yield of about 8% plus gradual growth up to 125% of the dividend in 2018 with a minimal yield of about 9.5%
  - Yield capped at roughly 16%
  - Possible\* for the issuer to buy them back at a price capped at 120% of the issue price until 2013 and the cap gradually goes up to 160% of the issue price after 2018
- Limited dilution
  - Minimum yield, in case of distribution, inferior to the cost of capital
  - Participation in value creation, limited by yield and buyback price caps



**+0.5pt pro forma effect on the Tier 1 ratio at the end of 2008  
and +1pt on the equity Tier 1 ratio**



# Assets Transferred to the Banking Book

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- Only in 4Q08, with no retroactive effect
- Assets transferred because they became illiquid: €7.8bn
  - LBO in trading portfolio €1.7bn
  - Illiquid bonds €3.3bn
  - ABS €1.6bn
- Impact on income
  - No impact at the time of the transfer
  - After transfer, reported income of €78mn pre-tax
  - Had there been no reclassification, the income reported a posteriori would have been: -€424mn before tax
- Effect on risk-weighted assets: +€2bn
- No further transfers expected
  - One-off change in management mode due to the crisis, which has left certain trading assets illiquid



**Limited transfers with a moderate impact**

