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**FORM 6-K**

**Report of Foreign Private Issuer**  
**Pursuant to Rule 13a-16 or 15d-16**  
**of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934**  
**For 22 April, 2014**  
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This Report contains a copy of the following:

- (1) The Press Release issued on 22 April, 2014.

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**PRESS RELEASE**

**Roel Louwhoff to become Chief Operations Officer of ING Bank**

ING Bank welcomes Roel Louwhoff as Chief Operations Officer (COO) and member of the Management Board Banking per 1 May 2014. As announced at ING Bank's Strategy update on 31 March 2014, in his function as COO Roel will have global responsibility for Operations & IT, change management and procurement within ING Bank.

Roel Louwhoff (Dutch, 1965) has more than 20 years of experience in consultancy, operations and IT with various international organizations. Lastly he was CEO of BT Operate, responsible for running the networks, platforms and data centres of the British telecoms group. Roel started his career at Andersen Consulting. From 1995 until 2001 he worked at call centre operator SNT, ultimately being responsible for strategy, IT, HR, marketing and innovation. From 2001 to 2004 he served as Chief Operating Officer at ClientLogic Corporation, an international business process outsourcing firm.

In 2004 Roel joined BT as CEO of Customer Service and Network Operations and in 2007 became responsible for the Operations of BT. Roel holds a master's degree in Management and Organisation and an MBA from the Rijksuniversiteit Groningen. The appointment of Roel Louwhoff has been approved by the Dutch central bank (DNB).

In our Think Forward strategy, we aim to create a differentiating customer experience throughout the bank, enabled by an intensified focus on operational excellence, said Ralph Hamers, CEO of ING. In our pursuit to serve our customers as best as we can, we will look beyond banking for the skills we need today but certainly also tomorrow. Therefore I am proud that with Roel, we are able to welcome an experienced manager from a highly relevant sector, with an impressive track record in leading transformational change.

Following Roel Louwhoff's appointment per 1 May 2014 and the revised regional division of businesses announced on 31 March 2014, which will be effective as of 1 July 2014, the composition of ING's Management Board Banking will be as follows:

**Management Board Banking**

Ralph Hamers, CEO

Koos Timmermans, vice-chairman

Patrick Flynn, CFO

Wilfred Nagel, CRO

Roel Louwhoff, COO

William Connelly, Commercial Banking

Eli Leenaars, Challenger & Growth Countries

Hans van der Noordaa, Benelux

**NOTE FOR EDITORS**

A short interview with Roel Louwhoff on his career and view on the banking sector is available online ([www.ing.com](http://www.ing.com)). Portrait pictures of Roel and other ING executives in high resolution are available for download at [www.flickr.com/photos/inggroup](http://www.flickr.com/photos/inggroup). Footage (B-roll) of ING is available via [www.videobankonline.com](http://www.videobankonline.com), or can be requested by emailing [info@videobankonline.com](mailto:info@videobankonline.com).

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## ING PROFILE

ING is a global financial institution of Dutch origin offering services through its operating companies ING Bank and NN Group. The purpose of **ING Bank** is empowering people to stay a step ahead in life and in business. ING Bank's more than 63,000 employees offer retail and commercial banking services to customers in over 40 countries.

**NN Group** is a leading insurance and investment company active in 18 countries, predominantly in Europe and Japan, with more than 12,000 employees. NN Group is preparing to become an independent, stand-alone company, through the base case scenario of Initial Public Offering (IPO).

ING Group shares are listed (in the form of depositary receipts) on the exchanges of Amsterdam (INGA NA/ING.AS), Brussels and on the New York Stock Exchange (ADRs: ING US/ING.N).

Sustainability forms an integral part of ING's corporate strategy, which is evidenced by ING being included in the Dow Jones Sustainability Index (Europe and World) the FTS4Good index and the Euronext Vigeo Europe 120 index.

## IMPORTANT LEGAL INFORMATION

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**SIGNATURE**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

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(Registrant)

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