



# General Terms and Conditions for tailor-made foreign-exchange and precious metals-linked structured products

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## 1. Preliminary Remarks

UBS AG (the “Issuer” or “UBS AG” or “UBS”) may from time to time issue structured products in securitized form (the “Products”). The Products will be issued based (i) on the information set out in these General Terms and Conditions, as amended from time to time (the “General Terms and Conditions”) and (ii) on the relevant final terms of each Product (the “Final Terms”). The General Terms and Conditions and the Final Terms shall form the entire documentation for each Product (the “Product Documentation”) and should always be read in conjunction with each other. In case of inconsistency between the General Terms and Conditions and the Final Terms, the Final Terms shall prevail.

The Issuer accepts responsibility for all information contained in the Product Documentation and has taken all reasonable care to ensure that the facts stated herein are true and accurate in all material aspects and that there are no other material facts, the omission of which would make misleading any statement herein, whether of fact or opinion.

The offering or sale of the Products in certain jurisdictions may be restricted by law. Persons, who obtain possession of the Product Documentation, are required to inform themselves about and to adhere to any such restrictions which are set out in more detail in the relevant Final Terms under the section headed ‘Selling Restrictions’. The Product Documentation does not constitute, and may not be used for the purposes of, an offer or solicitation by anyone in any jurisdiction in which such offer or solicitation is not authorised or to any person to whom it is unlawful to make such offer or solicitation.

**During the whole term of the Product, the Product Documentation can be ordered free of charge from the Lead Manager at P.O. Box, CH-8098 Zurich (Switzerland) via telephone (+41 (0)44 239 47 03), fax (+41 (0)44 239 69 14) or via e-mail ([swiss-prospectus@ubs.com](mailto:swiss-prospectus@ubs.com)). In addition, the Product Documentation is available on the internet at [www.ubs.com/keyinvest](http://www.ubs.com/keyinvest).**

## 2. Risk Factors

*An investment in the Products involves certain risks. If one or more of the risks described below occur, potential investors in the Products (the "Potential Investors") may incur a partial loss or even a total loss of their invested capital. Potential Investors should carefully consider the following factors prior to investing in the Products. This section of the General Terms and Conditions does not purport to be an extensive and comprehensive list of all possible risks associated with an investment in the Products.*

*Investment decisions should **not** be made solely on the basis of the risk warnings set out in the Product Documentation, since such information cannot serve as a substitute for individual advice and information which is tailored to the requirements, objectives, experience, knowledge and circumstances of each Potential Investor individually.*

### 2.1 General Risk Factors

#### 2.1.1 Advice from your Principal Bank

This information is not intended to replace the advice Potential Investors should always obtain from their respective principal bank before making a decision to invest in the Products. Only Potential Investors who are fully aware of the risks associated with the investment in the Products and who are financially able to bear any losses that may arise, should consider engaging in transactions of this type.

#### 2.1.2 Buying Products on Credit

Potential Investors financing the purchase of Products with loans should note that, should their expectations fail to materialise, they would not only have to bear the loss resulting from the investment in the Products, but also have to pay interest on the loan as well as repay the principal amount. It is therefore imperative that Potential Investors verify their financial resources in advance, in order to determine whether they would be able to pay the interest and repay the loan at short notice should they incur losses instead of realising the anticipated profit.

#### 2.1.3 Independent Review and Advice

Prior to entering into a transaction Potential Investors should consult their own legal, regulatory, tax, financial and accounting advisors to the extent they consider necessary, and make their own investment, hedging and trading decisions (including decisions regarding the suitability of an investment in the Products) based upon their own independent review and judgment and advice from those advisers they consider necessary.

Furthermore, Potential Investors should conduct such independent investigation and analysis regarding the Issuer and all other relevant persons or entities and such market and economic factors as they deem appropriate to evaluate the merits and risks of an investment in the Products. However, as part of such independent investigation and analysis, Potential Investors should consider carefully all the information set forth in the Product Documentation.

Investment in the Products may involve a loss of principal by virtue of the terms of the Products even where there is no default by the Issuer. Potential Investors will at all times be solely responsible for making their own independent appraisal of, and investigation into, the business, financial condition, prospects, creditworthiness, status and affairs of the Issuer in respect of the charged assets. None of the Issuer, the Lead Manager, the Paying Agent, the Calculation Agent, or any other agent nor any affiliate of any of them (or any person or entity on their behalf) will have any responsibility or duty to make any such investigations, to keep any such matters under review, to provide the Potential Investors with any information in relation to such matters or to advise as to the accompanying risks.

#### 2.1.4 Investor Suitability

The purchase of the Products involves substantial risks. Potential Investors should be familiar with instruments having the characteristics of the Products and should fully understand the terms and conditions set out in the Product Documentation and the nature and extent of their exposure to risk of loss.

In addition, Potential Investors must determine, based on their own independent review and such legal, business, tax and other advice as it deems appropriate under the circumstances, that the acquisition of the Products (i) is fully consistent with their financial needs, objectives and conditions, (ii) complies and is fully consistent with all constituent documents, investment policies, guidelines, authorisations and restrictions (including as to its capacity) applicable to them, (iii) has been duly approved in accordance with all applicable laws and procedures and (iv) is a fit, proper and suitable investment for them.

#### 2.1.5 Changes in Tax Law and Tax Call

The tax considerations set forth in the Product Documentation reflect the view of the Issuer based on the legislation applicable at the date of issuance of the Product Documentation. It cannot, however, be ruled out that the tax treatment by the tax authorities and courts could be interpreted differently. Additionally, the tax considerations set forth herein may not be used as the sole basis for the decision to invest in the Products from a tax perspective, since the individual situation of each Potential Investor must also be taken into account. Thus, the considerations regarding taxation contained in the Product Documentation do not constitute any sort of material information or tax advice nor are they in any way to be construed as a representation or warranty with respect to specific tax consequences.

In accordance with the terms and conditions set out in the General Terms and Conditions, the Issuer may redeem all outstanding Products early for tax reasons. Accordingly, Potential Investors should consult their personal tax advisors before making any decision to purchase the Products and must be aware of and be prepared to bear the risk of a potential early redemption due to tax reasons. The Issuer and the Lead Manager do not accept any liability for adverse tax consequences of an investment in the Products.

#### 2.1.6 Effect of Ancillary Costs

Commissions and other transaction costs incurred in connection with the purchase or sale of Products may result in charges, particularly in combination with a low order value, which can substantially reduce any Redemption Amount. Before acquiring Products, Potential Investors should therefore inform themselves of all costs incurred with the purchase or sale of the Product, including any costs charged by their custodian banks upon purchase and redemption of the Products.

### 2.1.7 No Reliance

The Issuer and all of its affiliates respectively disclaim any responsibility to advise Potential Investors of the risks and investment considerations associated with the purchase of the Products as they may exist at the date hereof or from time to time hereafter.

### 2.1.8 Legality of Purchase

The Issuer has no and assumes no responsibility for (i) the lawfulness of the acquisition of the Products by Investors or for (ii) the compliance by Investors with any law, regulation or regulatory policy applicable to them.

## **2.2 Market Risk Factors**

### 2.2.1 No Liquidity or Secondary Market

As the Products might not be listed or traded on any exchange, pricing information regarding the Products may be more difficult to obtain and the liquidity of the Products may be adversely affected. The liquidity of the Products may also be affected by restrictions on the purchase and sale of the Products in some jurisdictions.

The Issuer or the Lead Manager, as applicable, might, under normal market conditions, provide bid prices for the Products at their sole discretion and without a duty to do so. The Issuer or the Lead Manager, as applicable, make no firm commitment to provide liquidity by means of bid and offer prices for the Products, and assume no legal obligation to quote any such prices. Potential Investors therefore should not rely on the ability to sell Products at a specific time or at a specific price. Additionally, the Issuer has the right (but no obligation) to purchase Products at any time and at any price in the open market or by tender or private agreement. Any Products so purchased may be held or resold or surrendered for cancellation.

### 2.2.2 Emerging Markets

Investments in emerging markets should only be effected by persons who have a sound knowledge of these markets, who are well aware of and are able to weigh the diverse risks (political, social and economic risks, currency, liquidity and settlement risks, regulatory and legal risks) involved and who have sufficient financial resources to bear the substantial risks associated with such investments.

### 2.2.3 Risks Factors associated with Currency Exchange Rates

An investment in Products may involve risk exposure to fluctuations in exchange rates of the relevant currencies in which the Products are denominated and the Underlying is traded or evaluated. For example (i) the Underlying may be denominated in a currency other than that of the Products, (ii) the Products may be denominated in a currency other than the currency of the Investor's home jurisdiction and/or (iii) the Products may be denominated in a currency other than the currency in which an Investor wishes to receive funds.

Currency values may be affected by complex political and economic factors, including governmental action to fix or support the value, regardless of other market forces.

If the Potential Investor's right vested in the Products is determined on the basis of a currency other than the Settlement Currency, or if the value of the Underlying is determined in a currency other than the Settlement Currency, Potential Investors should be aware that investments in these Products could entail risks due to fluctuating exchange rates, and that the risk of loss does not depend solely on the performance of the Underlying, but also on unfavourable developments in the value of the such other currency.

## **2.3 Risk Factors relating to the Products**

### **2.3.1 Risk-hedging Transactions**

The ability to eliminate or to restrict the initial risks of the Products arising from their purchase by concluding any hedging transactions during their lifetime depends mainly on the market conditions and the terms and conditions of the specific Product. As a consequence, such transactions may be concluded at unfavourable market prices to the effect that corresponding losses may arise.

Potential Investors should therefore not rely on the ability to conclude transactions at any time during the term of the Products that will allow them to offset or limit relevant risks.

### **2.3.2 Features of Products on Currencies, Exchange Rates, Commodities or Precious Metals**

In cases where the Underlyings are currencies, exchange rates, commodities or precious metals, it should be noted that such Underlyings are traded 24 hours a day through the time zones of Australia, Asia, Europe and America. It is therefore possible that a relevant limit, barrier or threshold pursuant to the relevant Final Terms may be reached, exceeded or fallen below outside of local or Lead Managers' business hours.

### **2.3.3 Disruption Events**

In accordance with the terms and conditions set out in the General Terms and Conditions, the Lead Manager or the Calculation Agent may determine in its absolute sole discretion that a Market Disruption Event has occurred or exists at a relevant time. Any such determination may have an adverse effect on the value of the Products.

### **2.3.4 Other Factors affecting Value**

The value of a Product is determined not only by changes in the price of the Underlying, but also by a number of other factors. Since several risk factors may have simultaneous effects on the Products, the effect of a particular risk factor cannot be predicted. In addition, several risk factors may have a compounding effect which may not be predictable. No assurance can be given with regard to the effect that any combination of risk factors may have on the value of the Products.

These factors include, *inter alia*, the terms and conditions of the specific Product, the frequency and intensity of price fluctuations (volatility) in the Underlying, as well as the prevailing interest rate. A decline in the value of the Product may therefore occur even if the price or level, as the case may be, of the Underlying remains constant.

Potential Investors should be aware that an investment in the Products involves a valuation risk with regard to the Underlying. They should have experience with transactions in Products with a value derived from an underlying. The value of an underlying may vary over time and may increase or decrease by reference to a variety of factors which may include corporate actions, macro economic factors and speculation. If the Underlying comprises a basket of various assets, fluctuations in the value of any one asset may be offset or intensified by fluctuations in the value of other basket components. In addition, the historical performance of an underlying is not an indication of its future performance. The historical price of an underlying does not indicate its future performance. Changes in the market price of an underlying will affect the trading price of the Products, and it is impossible to predict whether the market price of an underlying will rise or fall.

### 2.3.5 Information with regard to the Underlying

Information with regard to the Underlying consists of extracts from or summaries of information that is publicly available in respect of the Underlying and is not necessarily the latest information available. The Issuer accepts responsibility for accurately extracting and summarizing the underlying information. No further or other responsibility (express or implied) in respect of the underlying information is accepted by the Issuer. The Issuer makes no representation that the underlying information, any other publicly available information or any other publicly available documents regarding the underlying asset, index or other item(s) to which the Products relate are accurate or complete. There can be no assurance that all events occurring prior to the Pricing Date of the relevant Products that would affect the trading price of the underlying asset, index or other item(s) to which the Products relate (and therefore the trading price and value of the Products) have been publicly disclosed. Subsequent disclosure of any such events or the disclosure or failure to disclose material future events concerning the underlying asset, index or other item(s) to which the Products relate could affect the trading price and value of the Products.

### 2.3.6 Fluctuations in Market Volatility may affect the Value of Products

Market volatility reflects the degree of instability and expected instability of the performance of the commodity market over time. The level of market volatility is not purely a measurement of the actual market volatility, but is largely determined by the prices for derivative instruments that offer Potential Investors protection against such market volatility. The prices of these instruments are determined by forces such as actual market volatility, expected market volatility, other economic and financial conditions and trading speculations.

### 2.3.7 Investing in the Products is not the same as Investing in the Underlying

Potential Investors should be aware that the market value of the Products may not have a direct relationship with the value of the Underlying, and changes in the value of the Underlying will not necessarily result in a comparable change in the market value of the Products.



### 2.3.8 Protection Amount

If and to the extent that a capital protection has been declared applicable in the relevant Final Terms, the Products will be redeemed for an amount no less than the specified protection. A capital protection may apply at a level below, at, or above the Nominal of the Product. The capital protection, if any, will not be due if the Products are redeemed prior to their Redemption Date or upon the occurrence of a Market Disruption Event or upon the occurrence of a Tax Call. If no capital protection is applicable the full amount invested by the Investor may be lost. Even if a capital protection applies, the return may be less than the capital protection specified on the Final Terms. The payment of the protection amount may be affected by the condition (financial or otherwise) of the Issuer.

### 2.3.9 Understanding the Exchange Rates

With respect to any Underlying, the exchange rate may by industry practice be commonly expressed as the number of units of one particular currency to the other, and not the reverse, regardless of which of the two currencies is the principal currency or the alternative currency. It is therefore possible, depending on which of a currency forming the Underlying is the principal currency, that a lower numerical exchange rate may indicate a more expensive principal currency. Moreover, the description of an exchange rate as, for example, the "USD/JPY" or "EUR/USD" does not necessarily imply that the rate is expressed in units of the first-named currency per unit of the second-named currency.

### 2.3.10 Determination of Spot Exchange Rates

There is no centralized market for interbank foreign exchange trading. The Calculation Agent will determine the value of the spot rate based on transactions traded through the Electronic Broking System and Reuters 2002 systems, as well as on transactions traded by the Issuer and its affiliates in the interbank foreign exchange and/or precious metals market. The Calculation Agent will not review any other source of information on transactions in the relevant spot exchange rates.

### 2.3.11 Investors must be willing and prepared to hold their Product until Maturity

Investors must be willing and prepared to hold their Product until the Expiration Date. If a Product is capital protected, the invested amount is protected only if the Investor holds this Product until the Expiration Date. If an Investor sells the Product in the secondary market prior to the Expiration Date and the Issuer is willing to offer a bid price, the Investor will not have capital protection on the portion of the Product sold.

### 2.3.12 Clearing and Transfer of the Products are subject to Limitations

The Products will be issued as book-entry securities. They do not take the form of actual securities but exist purely as book entries with an internal Valor number. During the entire life of the Products the book-entry securities will be booked at UBS only. This means that the Products can only be transferred to Purchaser holding a securities account at UBS and that no external clearing is possible.

### 2.3.13 Views of the Issuer and Research Reports published by the Issuer

The Issuer and its affiliates from time to time express views on expected movements in foreign currency exchange rates in the ordinary course of their businesses. These views are sometimes communicated to clients who participate in foreign exchange markets. However, these views, depending upon world-wide

economic, political and other developments, may vary over differing time-horizons and are subject to change. Moreover, other professionals who deal in foreign currencies may at any time have significantly different views from the views of the Issuer and its affiliates. Investors must derive information about foreign exchange markets from multiple sources. Investors should investigate the foreign exchange markets and not rely on views which may be expressed by the Issuer or its affiliates in the ordinary course of the Issuers or its affiliates businesses with respect to future exchange rate movements.

The Issuer, or one or more of its affiliates may, at present or in the future, publish research reports with respect to movements in foreign exchange rates generally or in the relevant exchange rate specifically. This research is modified from time to time without notice and may express opinions or provide recommendations that are inconsistent with purchasing or holding the Products. Any of these activities may affect the market value of the Products.

#### 2.3.14 Unpredictable Factors

The relevant spot exchange rate may be influenced by unpredictable factors, including fluctuations in currency exchange rates. The value of the Underlying and its spot levels, and, therefore, the investment, may be affected by various and often unpredictable factors, including, but not limited to, the exchange rate and economic, financial, social and political conditions globally and in particular countries. The exchange rate and the liquidity and trading values of, and amounts payable with respect to, the Product may be affected by the actions of sovereign governments that may directly or indirectly impact the Underlying. The market value of the Product may fluctuate between the Trade Date and the Expiration Date at the Expiration Time. The Calculation Agent will determine the settlement on maturity.

#### 2.3.15 No Systematic Reporting of Last-Sale Information for Foreign Currencies

There is no systematic reporting of last-sale information for foreign currencies. Reasonable current bid and offer information is available in certain brokers' offices, in bank foreign currency trading offices, and to others who wish to subscribe for this information, but this information will not necessarily reflect the relevant exchange rate relevant for determining the value of the Products. The absence of last-sale information and the limited availability of quotations to individual investors make it difficult for many Investors to obtain timely, accurate data about the state of the underlying foreign exchange markets.

## **2.4 Risk Factors relating to the Issuer**

### 2.4.1 Non-reliance on Financial Information of the Issuer

As a global financial services provider, the business activities of the Issuer are affected by the prevailing market situation. Different risk factors can impair the Issuer's ability to implement business strategies and may have a direct, negative impact on earnings. Accordingly, the Issuer's revenues and earnings are and have been subject to fluctuations. The revenues and earnings figures from a specific period, thus, are not evidence of sustainable results. They can change from one year to the next and affect the Issuer's ability to achieve its strategic objectives.

### 2.4.2 General Insolvency Risk

Each Investor bears the general risk that the financial situation of the Issuer could deteriorate. The Products constitute immediate, unsecured and unsubordinated obligations of the Issuer, which, in

particular in case of insolvency of the Issuer, rank pari passu with each and all other current and future unsecured and unsubordinated obligations of the Issuer, with the exception of those that have priority due to mandatory statutory provisions.

#### 2.4.3 Effect of Downgrading of the Issuer's Rating

The general assessment of the Issuer's creditworthiness may affect the value of the Products. This assessment generally depends on the ratings assigned to the Issuer or its affiliated companies by rating agencies such as Moody's, Fitch and Standard & Poor's.

#### 2.4.4 Potential Conflicts of Interest

The Issuer and affiliated companies may participate in transactions related to the Products in some way, for their own account or for account of a client. Such transactions may not serve to benefit the Investors and may have a positive or negative effect on the value of the Underlying and consequently on the value of the Products. Furthermore, companies affiliated with the Issuer may become counterparties in hedging transactions relating to obligations of the Issuer stemming from the Products. As a result, conflicts of interest can arise between companies affiliated with the Issuer, as well as between these companies and Investors, in relation to obligations regarding the calculation of the price of the Products and other associated determinations. In addition, the Issuer and its affiliates may act in other capacities with regard to the Products, such as Calculation Agent, Paying Agent and/or Index Sponsor.

Furthermore, the Issuer and its affiliates may issue other derivative instruments relating to the respective Underlying; introduction of such competing products may affect the value of the Products. The Issuer and its affiliated companies may receive non-public information relating to the Underlying, and neither the Issuer nor any of its affiliates undertake to make this information available to Investors. In addition, one or more of the Issuer's affiliated companies may publish research reports on the Underlying. Such activities could present conflicts of interest and may affect the value of the Products.

#### 2.4.5 Disclosure with regard to Fees

Within the context of the offering and sale of the Products, the Issuer or any of its affiliates may directly or indirectly pay fees in varying amounts to third parties, such as distributors or investment advisors, or receive payment of fees in varying amounts, including those levied in association with the distribution of the Products, from third parties. Potential Investors should be aware that the Issuer may retain fees in part or in full. The Issuer or, as the case may be, the Lead Manager, upon request, will provide information on the amount of these fees.

#### 2.4.6 Risks relating to UBS

For information on risks that may impact UBS's ability to execute its strategy or otherwise affect its business activities, financial condition, results of operations and prospects, refer to the "Risk factors" section of the latest annual report of UBS. The relevant annual report is incorporated by reference herein.

### 3. Definitions

Terms, used but not defined in the General Terms and Conditions, shall have the meaning as specified in the relevant Final Terms.

<b>"Business Day"</b>	means in connection with any payment procedure a day on which foreign exchange markets settle payments in the Settlement Currency.
<b>"Conversion Ratio"</b>	means the number of Underlyings into which a given number of Products may be converted.
<b>"Disruption Event"</b>	means the occurrence of any of the following events: Price Source Disruption, FX Disruption Event, Market Disruption Event or Settlement Disruption Event.
<b>"Exchange Business Day"</b>	means (i) any Trading Day on which the official closing level of the relevant Underlying is published by the Related Exchange or the Index Sponsor, as the case may be; or (ii) for Products with Commodity Indices as Underlying, any Trading Day on which the official closing level of the Underlying Component is published by the Related Exchange or the Index Sponsor, as the case may be.  Subject to the provisions set forth in the section headed ' <u>Market Disruption</u> '.
<b>"Index"</b>	means, for Products with an Index as Underlying, the Index as specified in the Final Terms and published by the relevant Index Sponsor.
<b>"Investor"</b>	means the person entitled to the rights conferred by the Products.
<b>"Related Exchange(s)"</b>	means the exchange(s) on which the relevant Underlying or its components and relating to Products on Commodity Indices the relevant Underlying Components are traded.
<b>"Scheduled Closing Time"</b>	relating to Products with Commodity Indices as Underlying, means in respect of an Exchange and a Scheduled Trading Day, the scheduled weekday closing time of such Exchange on such Scheduled Trading Day, without regard to after hours or any other trading outside of the regular trading session hours.
<b>"Settlement Currency"</b>	means the currency used for the payment of any redemption amount or any other amount.
<b>"Trading Day"</b>	means any day that is a scheduled trading day of the Related Exchange, subject to the provisions set forth in the section headed ' <u>Market Disruption Events</u> '.

**"Trading Expiration Time"**

means the time on the Expiration Date until which the Products can be traded at the Related Exchange.

**"Underlying Component"**

relating to Products with Commodity Indices as Underlying, means in respect of each physical commodity comprised in the Index, each exchange traded future or exchange traded option contracts for that physical commodity, as determined by the Calculation Agent.

**"Valuation Date"**

means the Expiration Date and/or any Observation Date(s).

In relation to a Basket Underlying: If this Date is not an Exchange Business Day for at least one Basket Component, the immediately succeeding Exchange Business Day is deemed to be the relevant Valuation Date in relation to all Basket Components.

## 4. Terms and Conditions

### 4.1 Status of the Products/Classification

The Products are direct, unconditional, unsecured and unsubordinated obligations of the Issuer and rank pari passu with all present and future, unsecured and unsubordinated obligations without any preference among themselves and without any preference one above the other by reason of priority of date of issue, currency of payment or otherwise, except for obligations given priority by law.

The Products do not represent a participation in any of the collective investment schemes pursuant to Art. 7 ss of the Swiss Federal Act on Collective Investment Schemes (CISA) and thus are not subject to the supervision of the Swiss Financial Market Supervisory Authority (FINMA). Therefore, Investors in the Products are not eligible for the specific investor protection under the CISA.

### 4.2 Form of Securities

The Products may be issued in the form of bearer notes (including global notes pursuant to article 973b of the Swiss Federal Code of Obligations (CO)) or in uncertificated form as uncertificated securities (Wertrechte) pursuant to article 973c CO, as specified in the relevant Final Terms.

Global notes will be deposited with and uncertificated securities will be entered into the main register (Hauptregister) of SIX SIS AG, the Swiss Securities Service Corporation in Olten (SIS) in accordance with the Swiss Federal Act on Intermediated Securities (FISA). Once deposited or registered with SIS and booked into the accounts of one or more participants of SIS, the global notes or the uncertificated securities will constitute intermediated securities (Bucheffekten) in accordance with the provisions of the FISA. The Issuer reserves the right to select any other clearing system or any other common depository, including UBS AG, eligible for the role of an intermediary pursuant to article 4 FISA, for the purpose of depositing global notes or registering uncertificated securities.

As long as the Products are intermediated securities, the Products are transferred and otherwise disposed of in accordance with the provisions of the FISA, i.e. by entry of the transferred Products in a securities account of the transferee. As long as the Products are intermediated securities, the holders of the Products will be the persons holding the Products in a securities account in their own name and for their own account.

The holders of the Products shall at no time have the right to effect or demand the conversion of the uncertificated securities (Wertrechte) into, or the delivery of a global note (Globalurkunde) or definitive notes (Wertpapiere).

### 4.3 Adjustments

The scheduled Expiration Date and Time or any other date specified on the Final Terms may become subject to adjustments.

If a date would otherwise fall on a day that is not a Business Day, such date will be the first following day that is a Business Day. In case an Expiration Date and Time is postponed, the Redemption Date will be postponed accordingly.

The Lead Manager shall notify the Investors in accordance with the section headed 'Notices' of any adjustments which have been made. The details of such adjustments will be available for inspection at the offices of the Lead Manager.

#### **4.4 Price Source Disruption Event**

It may become impossible to obtain the relevant exchange rate or price during the lifetime of the Product and/or on the Expiration Date and Time due to one or more of the price sources normally used in the relevant market for the Underlying being unavailable because an unscheduled bank closure is declared on short notice in the relevant country or due to the occurrence of any other disruption (each a "Price Source Disruption Event"). The Calculation Agent will determine in good faith whether a Price Source Disruption Event has occurred.

A Price Disruption Event may lead to (i) a postponement of the Expiration Date and Time and therefore the redemption payment, (ii) to the use of an alternative source for the relevant exchange rate and or (iii) to the unilateral determination of the applicable exchange rate by the Calculation Agent.

Such postponement, use of alternative price source and/or determination of the applicable exchange rate by the Calculation Agent may affect, materially or otherwise, the Redemption Amount which the Investor will receive.

#### **4.5 Market Disruption Event**

4.5.1 If Underlying of Products is related to Commodities (except Commodity Indices)

**"Market Disruption Event"** means, in relation to Products relating to Commodities or a Basket of Commodities, the occurrence or existence on any Trading Day of any one or more of the following events:

- (i) a limitation, suspension, or disruption of trading in one or more of the component of the Underlying imposed on trading by the relevant Exchange or otherwise and whether by movements in price exceeding limits permitted by the relevant Exchange or otherwise;
- (ii) failure by the applicable Exchange or other price source as applicable to announce or publish the final closing in respect of any underlying component(s);
- (ii) the closure on any Exchange Business Day of any relevant Exchange in respect of a component of the Underlying, prior to its scheduled closing time;
- (iv) any event (other than an early closure as described above) that disrupts or impairs the ability of market participants in general to effect transactions in, or obtain market values for any relevant component.

if in the determination of the Lead Manager or Calculation Agent, any such event is material and the disruption affects either

- (i) the Commodities on the Related Exchange; or
- (i) any options contracts or futures contracts relating to the Commodity or the Basket of Commodities, as the case may be, on any exchange on which options contracts or futures contracts on the Commodities are traded.

#### 4.5.2 If Underlying of Products is related to Commodity Indices

**"Market Disruption Event"** means, in relation to Products with Commodity Indices as Underlying, the occurrence or existence in respect of any Underlying Component on any Trading Day or on any number of consecutive Trading Days any one or more of the following events:

- (i) a limitation, suspension, or disruption of trading in one or more of the Underlying Components imposed on trading by the Related Exchange or otherwise and whether by movements in price exceeding limits permitted by the Related Exchange or otherwise;
- (ii) the settlement price for any Underlying Component is a "limit price", which means that the settlement price for such Underlying Component for a day has increased or decreased from the previous day's closing price by the maximum amount permitted under applicable rules of the Related Exchange;
- (iii) failure by the Related Exchange or other price source as applicable to announce or publish the settlement price in respect of any Underlying Component;
- (iv) the Related Exchange fails to open for trading during its regular trading session;
- (v) the closure on any Exchange Business Day of any Related Exchange in respect of a Underlying Component, prior to its Scheduled Closing Time;
- (vi) any event (other than an early closure as described above) that disrupts or impairs (as determined by the Calculation Agent) the ability of market participants in general to effect transactions in, or obtain market values for any Underlying Component,

if in the determination of the Lead Manager or Calculation Agent, any such event is material.

#### 4.5.3 Consequences of a Market Disruption Event

##### 4.5.3.1 If Underlying of the Products is related to Commodities (except Commodity Indices)

If the Lead Manager or Calculation Agent reasonably determines that a Market Disruption Event has occurred and is continuing on any Valuation Date then the Valuation Date for the relevant Underlying or underlying component shall be postponed to the first following Exchange Business Day on which there is no Market Disruption Event.

In the case of Products with a Basket as Underlying, the Valuation Date for each basket component which is not affected by the Market Disruption Event shall be the originally designated Valuation Date.

If a Market Disruption Event continues for several Trading Days, then the Lead Manager or the Calculation Agent shall determine that the relevant Valuation Date may not be further postponed and fix a Valuation Date, as the case may be, nonetheless continuing Market Disruption Events. The value of affected



Underlying(s) shall then be determined by the Lead Manager or Calculation Agent in its sole and absolute discretion but in accordance with established market practice.

In case where a Valuation Date is postponed as a consequence of a Market Disruption Event, the Redemption Date, any coupon payment day or any other date, as applicable, will be postponed accordingly.

Upon the occurrence of a Market Disruption Event, the Lead Manager shall give notice as soon as practicable to the Investors in accordance with the section headed 'Notices' stating that a Market Disruption Event has occurred and providing details thereof. Failure of the Calculation Agent to notify the parties of the occurrence of a Market Disruption Event shall not affect the validity of the occurrence and effect of such Market Disruption Event on the Products.

All determinations made by the Lead Manager or the Calculation Agent pursuant to this section shall be conclusive and binding on the Investor and the Issuer. The Investor will not be entitled to any compensation from the Issuer for any loss suffered as a result of the occurrence of a Market Disruption Event.

#### 4.5.3.2 If Underlying of the Products is related to Commodity Indices

If the Lead Manager or Calculation Agent reasonably determines that a Market Disruption Event has occurred then the level of that Index shall not be determined by reference to the official Closing Level of the Index, if any, announced or published by the Index Sponsor on that Valuation Date, but shall instead be determined by the Calculation Agent as follows:

- (i) with respect to each Underlying Component **not affected** by the occurrence of a Market Disruption Event, the level of the Index will be based on the settlement price of such Underlying Component on the relevant Valuation Date;
- (ii) with respect to each Underlying Component which **is affected** by the occurrence of a Market Disruption Event, the level of the Index will be based on the settlement prices of each such Underlying Component on the first Exchange Business Day following the applicable Valuation Date where there is no such Market Disruption Event with respect to such Underlying Component, provided that, if there is still a Market Disruption Event on the immediately following **eight** Exchange Business Days then the price of such Underlying Component to be used in calculating the level of the Index (which for the avoidance of doubt could be zero) shall be determined by the Calculation Agent in its sole discretion and acting in good faith on the **eighth** Exchange Business Day following the relevant Valuation Date

The Calculation Agent shall determine the level of the Index in respect of the applicable Valuation Date using the settlement prices determined in sub-paragraphs (i) and (ii) above in accordance with the formula for and method of calculating the level of the Index last in effect prior to the occurrence of the Market Disruption Event.

In case where a Valuation Date is postponed as a consequence of a Market Disruption Event, the Redemption Date, any coupon payment day or any other date, as applicable, will be postponed accordingly.

Upon the occurrence of a Market Disruption Event, the Lead Manager shall give notice as soon as practicable to the Investors in accordance with the section headed 'Notices' stating that a Market Disruption Event has occurred and providing details thereof. Failure of the Calculation Agent to notify the parties of the occurrence of a Market Disruption Event shall not affect the validity of the occurrence and effect of such Market Disruption Event on the Products.

All determinations made by the Lead Manager or the Calculation Agent pursuant to this section shall be conclusive and binding on the Investor and the Issuer. The Investor will not be entitled to any compensation from the Issuer for any loss suffered as a result of the occurrence of a Market Disruption Event.

## 4.6 FX Disruption Event

### 4.6.1 Meaning of a FX Disruption Event

**"FX Disruption Event"** means the occurrence of any event on any day or any number of consecutive days as determined by the Calculation Agent in its sole and reasonable discretion that affects the Issuer's currency hedging (if any) with respect to the Products.

### 4.6.2 Consequences of an FX Disruption Event relating to the Products

Notwithstanding any other provisions contained herein the Calculation Agent may in its sole and reasonable discretion increase or decrease, as the case may be, the Redemption Amount to account for any income, loss, costs (including hedging costs) and expenses that are in the Calculation Agent's sole and reasonable discretion attributable to, or as a result of, the FX Disruption Event.

## 4.7 Settlement Disruption Event

### 4.7.1 Meaning of a Settlement Disruption Event

**"Settlement Disruption Event"** shall mean an event beyond the control of the Issuer as a result of which the Issuer cannot make delivery of the relevant asset(s) as specified in the relevant Final Terms on the Redemption Date.

### 4.7.2 Consequences of a Settlement Disruption Event

If the Lead Manager or the Calculation Agent reasonably determines that a Settlement Disruption Event has occurred and is continuing on the Redemption Date, then such Redemption Date shall be postponed to the first Business Day following the termination of the Settlement Disruption Event.

If a Settlement Disruption Event continues for several Business Days, then the Lead Manager or the Calculation Agent shall determine that the Redemption Date may not be further postponed and fix a Redemption Date, as the case may be, nonetheless continuing Settlement Disruption Events. In lieu of physical settlement and notwithstanding any other provision hereof, the Issuer may elect in its sole and absolute discretion but in accordance with established market practice to satisfy and discharge its obligations in respect of the relevant Products.

For the avoidance of doubt, where a Settlement Disruption Event affects some but not all of the relevant assets comprising the redemption entitlement, the Redemption Date for the relevant assets not affected by the Settlement Disruption Event will be the originally designated Redemption Date.

Upon the occurrence of a Settlement Disruption Event, the Lead Manager shall give notice as soon as practicable to the Investors in accordance with the section headed 'Notices' stating that a Settlement Disruption Event has occurred and providing details thereof. Failure of the Calculation Agent to notify the parties of the occurrence of a Settlement Disruption Event shall not affect the validity of the occurrence and effect of such Settlement Disruption Event on the Products.

All determinations made by the Lead Manager or the Calculation Agent pursuant to this section shall be conclusive and binding on the Investor and the Issuer. The Investor will not be entitled to any compensation from the Issuer for any loss suffered as a result of the occurrence of a Settlement Disruption Event.

#### **4.8 Taxation/Tax Call**

Each Investor shall assume and be responsible for any and all taxes, duties, fees and charges imposed on or levied against (or which could be imposed on or levied against) such Investor in any jurisdiction or by any governmental or regulatory authority.

The Issuer and the Paying Agent shall have the right, but not the duty, to withhold or deduct from any amounts otherwise payable to the Investor such amount as is necessary for the payment of any such taxes, duties, fees and/or charges.

In any case where any governmental or regulatory authority imposes on the Issuer the obligation to pay any such taxes, duties, fees and/or charges the Investor shall promptly reimburse the Issuer.

Potential Investors should inform themselves with regard to any tax consequences particular to their circumstances arising in the jurisdiction in which they are resident or domiciled for tax purposes in connection with the acquisition, ownership, redemption or disposal by them of any Products.

The Issuer may redeem all Products in case any present or future taxes, duties or governmental charges would be imposed by any jurisdiction in which the Issuer is or becomes subject to tax as a result of any change in laws or regulations of the relevant jurisdiction. The Lead Manager shall as soon as practicable notify the Investors of such redemption pursuant to the section headed 'Notices'.

#### **4.9 Further Issues**

The Issuer reserves the right to issue at any time, without consent of the Investors, further Products ranking pari passu with previously issued Products.

#### **4.10 Severability and Amendment of Terms and Conditions**

In the event any term or condition is, or becomes invalid, the validity of the remaining terms and conditions shall in no manner be affected thereby.

The Issuer shall be entitled to amend any term or condition for the purpose of clarifying any uncertainty, or correcting or supplementing the provisions herein in such manner as the Issuer deems necessary or desirable, provided that the Investor does not incur significant financial loss as a consequence thereof.

However, the Issuer shall at all times be entitled to amend any terms or conditions where, and to the extent, the amendment is necessitated as a consequence of legislation, decisions by courts of law, or decisions taken by governmental authorities.

#### **4.11 Calculation**

The Calculation Agent's calculations and determinations hereunder shall (save in the case of manifest error) be final and binding on the Investors. The Calculation Agent will have no responsibility for good faith errors or omissions in calculation of the value of the Underlying as provided herein.

The Investors shall not be entitled to make any claim against the Issuer in the case where the related exchange or any third party shall have made any misstatement as to the Underlying.

#### **4.12 Substitution**

The Issuer may at any time and from time to time, without the consent of the Investors, substitute for itself as obligor under the Products any affiliate, branch, subsidiary or holding company of UBS AG (the "New Issuer") provided that (i) the New Issuer shall assume all obligations that the Issuer owes to the Investors under or in relation to the Products, and (ii) such New Issuer shall at all times after such substitution have either:

- a credit rating equivalent to or better than the Issuer, or
- its obligations to Investors under the Products guaranteed by the Issuer.

If such substitution occurs, then any reference in the Product Documentation to the Issuer shall be construed as a reference to the New Issuer. Any substitution will be promptly notified to the Investor in accordance with the section headed 'Notices'. In connection with any exercise by the Issuer of the right of substitution, the Issuer shall not be obliged to carry any consequences suffered by individual Investors as a result of the exercise of such right and, accordingly, no Investor shall be entitled to claim from the Issuer any indemnification or repayment with respect of any consequence.

#### **4.13 Illegality**

If the Issuer determines that the performance of its obligations under the Products or that any arrangements made to hedge the Issuer's obligations have become illegal in whole or in part for any reason, the Issuer may cancel the Products by providing notice to Investors in accordance with the section headed 'Notices'.

If the Issuer cancels the Products then the Issuer will, if and to the extent permitted by applicable law, pay an amount to each Investor in respect of each Product held by an Investor. The amount shall be the fair market value of a Product less the costs incurred by the Issuer when unwinding any underlying related hedging arrangements, all as determined by the Lead Manager or Calculation Agent in its sole and absolute discretion. Payments will be made in such manner as will be notified to the Investors in accordance with the section headed 'Notices'.

#### **4.14 Notices**

##### 4.14.1 To the Issuer

Notice may be given to the Issuer by delivering such notice in writing to UBS at Bahnhofstrasse 45, P.O.Box, CH-8098 Zurich or such other address as may be notified to the Investors in accordance with this section.

##### 4.14.2 To the Investors

All notices shall be validly given by publication in electronic media such as Reuters and/or Investdata. In addition, any changes with regard to the terms of the Products shall be published on the internet at [www.ubs.com/keyinvest](http://www.ubs.com/keyinvest).

#### **4.15 Statutory Period of Limitation**

In accordance with Swiss law, claims of any kind against the Issuer in connection with the Products for, inter alia, payment of any amount, or, if applicable, delivery of any Underlying will be prescribed 10 years after the date on which the early or regular redemption of the Products (whichever is applicable), has become due.

#### **4.16 Proceeds from the Sale of Products**

The net proceeds from the sale of the Products will be used by the Issuer for general corporate purposes.

The Issuer has taken the necessary steps to secure its obligations.

#### **4.17 Applicable Law and Jurisdiction**

The form and contents of the Products are subject to and governed by Swiss law. Exclusive place of jurisdiction for all disputes affecting the Products and the rights and obligations attached thereto shall be Zurich, Switzerland.



## **Description of UBS AG**

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## 1. Overview

UBS AG with its subsidiaries (together, "UBS AG consolidated", or "UBS AG Group"; together with UBS Group AG, which is the holding company of UBS AG, and its subsidiaries, "UBS Group", "Group", "UBS" or "UBS Group AG consolidated") provides financial advice and solutions to private, institutional and corporate clients worldwide, as well as private clients in Switzerland. The operational structure of the Group is comprised of the Corporate Center and four business divisions: Global Wealth Management, Personal & Corporate Banking, Asset Management and the Investment Bank. UBS's strategy is centered on its leading global wealth management business and its premier personal and corporate banking business in Switzerland, complemented by its focused investment bank and global asset manager. UBS concentrates on capital-efficient businesses in its targeted markets, where UBS has a strong competitive position and an attractive long-term growth or profitability outlook.

On 30 June 2019, UBS Group's common equity tier 1 ("**CET1**") capital ratio was 13.3%, the CET1 leverage ratio was 3.83%, the total loss-absorbing capacity ratio was 33.3%, and the total loss-absorbing capacity leverage ratio was 9.6%.<sup>1</sup> On the same date, invested assets stood at USD 3,381 billion, equity attributable to shareholders was USD 53,180 million and market capitalisation<sup>2</sup> was USD 43,491 million. On the same date, UBS employed 66,922 people<sup>3</sup>.

On 30 June 2019, UBS AG consolidated CET1 capital ratio was 13.7%, the CET1 leverage ratio was 3.94%, the total loss-absorbing capacity ratio was 33.0%, and the total loss-absorbing capacity leverage ratio was 9.5%.<sup>1</sup> On the same date, invested assets stood at USD 3,381 billion and equity attributable to UBS AG shareholders was USD 52,359 million. On the same date, UBS AG Group employed 47,072 people<sup>3</sup>.

The rating agencies S&P Global Ratings Europe Limited ("Standard & Poor's"), Moody's Deutschland GmbH ("Moody's"), Fitch Ratings Limited ("Fitch Ratings"), and Scope Ratings GmbH ("Scope Ratings") have published solicited credit ratings reflecting their assessment of the creditworthiness of UBS AG, i.e. its ability to fulfil in a timely manner payment obligations, such as principal or interest payments on long-term loans, also known as debt servicing. The ratings from Fitch Ratings, Standard & Poor's and Scope Ratings may be attributed a plus or minus sign, and those from Moody's a number. These supplementary attributes indicate the relative position within the respective rating class. UBS AG has a long-term counterparty credit rating of A+ (outlook: stable) from Standard & Poor's, long-term senior debt rating of Aa3 (outlook: stable) from Moody's, long-term issuer default rating of AA- (outlook: stable) from Fitch Ratings and issuer rating of AA- (outlook: stable) from Scope Ratings.

An explanation of the significance of ratings may be obtained from the rating agencies. Generally, rating agencies base their ratings on such material and information, and such of their own investigations, studies and assumptions, as they deem appropriate. The ratings of UBS AG should be evaluated independently from similar ratings of other entities, and from the rating, if any, of its securities. A credit rating is not a recommendation to buy, sell or hold securities issued or guaranteed by the rated entity and may be subject to review, revision, suspension, reduction or

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<sup>1</sup> All figures based on the Swiss systemically relevant bank framework as of 1 January 2020. Refer to the "*Capital management*" section of the Annual Report 2018 and of the Second Quarter 2019 Report, as defined herein, for more information.

<sup>2</sup> The calculation of market capitalization has been amended to reflect total shares outstanding multiplied by the share price at the end of the period. The calculation was previously based on total shares issued multiplied by the share price at the end of the period.

<sup>3</sup> Full-time equivalents.



withdrawal at any time by the assigning rating agency. All the above-mentioned rating agencies are registered as credit rating agencies under Regulation (EC) No 1060/2009 as amended by Regulation (EU) No 513/2011.

No profit forecasts or estimates are included in this document.

No recent events particular to UBS AG have occurred, which are to a material extent relevant to the evaluation of UBS AG's solvency.

Any statements regarding the competitive position of UBS AG, UBS AG Group or the Group contained in this document are made on the basis of the opinion of UBS AG or the Group.

## 2. Corporate Information

### 2.1 Corporate Information

The legal and commercial name of the company is UBS AG.

The company was incorporated under the name SBC AG on 28 February 1978 for an unlimited duration and entered in the Commercial Register of Canton Basel-City on that day. On 8 December 1997, the company changed its name to UBS AG. The company in its present form was created on 29 June 1998 by the merger of Union Bank of Switzerland (founded 1862) and Swiss Bank Corporation (founded 1872). UBS AG is entered in the Commercial Registers of Canton Zurich and Canton Basel-City. The registration number is CHE-101.329.561.

UBS AG is incorporated and domiciled in Switzerland and operates under the Swiss Code of Obligations as an *Aktiengesellschaft*, a corporation limited by shares. UBS AG's Legal Entity Identifier (LEI) code is BFM8T61CT2L1QCEMIK50.

According to article 2 of the articles of association of UBS AG dated 26 April 2018 ("Articles of Association"), the purpose of UBS AG is the operation of a bank. Its scope of operations extends to all types of banking, financial, advisory, trading and service activities in Switzerland and abroad. UBS AG may establish branches and representative offices as well as banks, finance companies and other enterprises of any kind in Switzerland and abroad, hold equity interests in these companies, and conduct their management. UBS AG is authorized to acquire, mortgage and sell real estate and building rights in Switzerland and abroad. UBS AG may borrow and invest money on the capital markets. UBS AG is part of the group of companies controlled by the group parent company UBS Group AG. It may promote the interests of the group parent company or other group companies. It may provide loans, guarantees and other kinds of financing and security for group companies.

The addresses and telephone numbers of UBS AG's two registered offices and principal places of business are: Bahnhofstrasse 45, CH-8001 Zurich, Switzerland, telephone +41 44 234 1111; and Aeschenvorstadt 1, CH-4051 Basel, Switzerland, telephone +41 61 288 5050.

### 2.2 UBS's borrowing and funding structure and financing of UBS's activities

#### Strategy, objectives and governance

UBS manages its balance sheet, liquidity and funding positions with the overall objective of optimizing the value of its franchise across a broad range of market conditions while considering current and future regulatory constraints. UBS employs a number of measures to monitor these positions under normal and stressed conditions. In particular, UBS uses stress scenarios to apply behavioral adjustments to its balance sheet and calibrate the results from these internal stress models with external measures, primarily the liquidity coverage ratio and the net stable funding ratio. UBS's liquidity and funding strategy is proposed by Group Treasury, approved by the Group Asset and Liability Management Committee ("Group ALCO"), which is a committee of the Group Executive Board, and is overseen by the Risk Committee of the Board of Directors ("BoD").

Liquidity and funding limits and targets are set at Group and, where appropriate, at legal entity and

business division levels, and are reviewed and reconfirmed at least once a year by the BoD, the Group ALCO, the Group Chief Financial Officer, the Group Treasurer and the business divisions, taking into consideration current and projected business strategy and risk tolerance. The principles underlying UBS's limit and target framework are designed to maximize and sustain the value of UBS's business franchise and maintain an appropriate balance in the asset and liability structure. Structural limits and targets focus on the structure and composition of the balance sheet, while supplementary limits and targets are designed to drive the utilization, diversification and allocation of funding resources. To complement and support this framework, Group Treasury monitors the markets for early warning indicators reflecting the current liquidity situation. The liquidity status indicators are used at Group level to assess both the overall global and regional situations for potential threats. Market & Treasury Risk Control provides independent oversight over liquidity and funding risks.

#### Liabilities and funding management

Group Treasury regularly monitors UBS's funding status, including concentration risks, to ensure UBS maintains a well-balanced and diversified liability structure. UBS's funding risk management aims for the optimal asset and liability structure to finance UBS's businesses reliably and cost-efficiently, and UBS's funding activities are planned by analysing the overall liquidity and funding profile of its balance sheet, taking into account the amount of stable funding that would be needed to support ongoing business activities through periods of difficult market conditions.

#### Capital management objectives

An adequate level of total loss-absorbing capacity ("TLAC") in accordance with both UBS's internal assessment and regulatory requirements is a prerequisite to conducting UBS's business activities. UBS is therefore committed to maintaining a strong TLAC position and sound TLAC ratios at all times, in order to meet regulatory capital requirements and its target capital ratios, and to support the growth of its businesses.

#### Capital planning and activities

UBS manages its balance sheet, RWA, LRD and TLAC ratio levels within UBS's internal limits and targets and on the basis of its regulatory TLAC requirements. UBS's strategic focus is to achieve an optimal attribution and use of financial resources between its business divisions and Corporate Center, as well as between its legal entities, while remaining within the limits defined for the Group and allocated to the business divisions by the BoD. These resource allocations, in turn, affect business plans and earnings projections, which are reflected in UBS's capital plans. The annual strategic planning process includes a capital- planning component that is key in defining medium- and longer- term capital targets. It is based on an attribution of Group RWA and LRD internal limits to the business divisions. Effective 1 January 2019, changes in resource allocation from Corporate Center to the business divisions is reflected in the equity attribution to the business divisions, alongside other updates to the equity attribution framework.

## 3. Business Overview

### 3.1 Organisational Structure of UBS AG

UBS AG is a Swiss bank and the parent company of the UBS AG Group. It is 100% owned by UBS Group AG, which is the holding company of the UBS Group. UBS operates as a group with four business divisions and a Corporate Center.

In 2014, UBS began adapting its legal entity structure to improve the resolvability of the Group in response to too big to fail requirements in Switzerland and recovery and resolution regulation in other countries in which the Group operates. In December 2014, UBS Group AG became the holding company of the Group.

In 2015, UBS AG transferred its personal & corporate banking and wealth management businesses booked in Switzerland to the newly established UBS Switzerland AG, a banking subsidiary of UBS AG in Switzerland. In 2016, UBS Americas Holding LLC was designated as the intermediate holding company for UBS's US subsidiaries and UBS merged its wealth management subsidiaries in various European countries into UBS Europe SE, UBS's German-headquartered European subsidiary. Additionally, UBS transferred the majority of Asset Management's operating subsidiaries to UBS Asset Management AG. Effective 1 April 2019, the portion of the Asset Management business in Switzerland conducted by UBS AG was transferred from UBS AG to its indirect subsidiary, UBS Asset Management Switzerland AG.

UBS Business Solutions AG, a wholly owned subsidiary of UBS Group AG, was established in 2015 and acts as the Group service company. In 2017, UBS's shared services functions in Switzerland and the UK were transferred from UBS AG to UBS Business Solutions AG. UBS also completed the transfer of shared services functions in the US to its US service company, UBS Business Solutions US LLC, a wholly owned subsidiary of UBS Americas Holding LLC.

In March 2019, UBS Limited, UBS's UK headquartered subsidiary, was merged into UBS Europe SE prior to the UK's scheduled departure from the EU. Former clients and other counterparties of UBS Limited who can be serviced by UBS AG's London Branch were migrated to UBS AG's London Branch prior to the merger.

UBS continues to consider further changes to the Group's legal structure in response to regulatory requirements and other external developments. Such changes may include further consolidation of operating subsidiaries in the EU and adjustments to the booking entity or location of products and services. Refer to "Risk Factors - UBS has announced its intention to make certain structural changes in light of regulatory trends and requirements and the Terms and Conditions do not contain any restrictions on the Issuer's or UBS's ability to restructure its business" above.

UBS Group AG's interests in subsidiaries and other entities as of 31 December 2018, including interests in significant subsidiaries, are discussed in "Note 31 Interests in subsidiaries and other entities" to the UBS Group AG's consolidated financial statements included in the UBS Group AG and UBS AG Annual Report 2018 published on 15 March 2019 ("Annual Report 2018").

UBS AG's interests in subsidiaries and other entities as of 31 December 2018, including interests in significant subsidiaries, are discussed in "Note 31 Interests in subsidiaries and other entities" to the UBS AG's consolidated financial statements included in the Annual Report 2018.

UBS AG is the parent company of, and conducts a significant portion of its operations through, its subsidiaries. UBS AG has contributed a significant portion of its capital and provides substantial liquidity to subsidiaries. In addition, UBS Business Solutions AG provides substantial services to group companies including UBS AG and its subsidiaries. To this extent, UBS AG is dependent on certain of the entities of the UBS AG Group and of the UBS Group.

## **3.2 Business Divisions and Corporate Center**

UBS operates as a group with four business divisions (Global Wealth Management, Personal & Corporate Banking, Asset Management, and the Investment Bank) and a Corporate Center. Each of the business divisions and the Corporate Center are described below. A description of the Group's strategy can be found under "*Our strategy*" in the "*Our strategy, business model and environment*" section of the Annual Report 2018; a description of the businesses, strategies, clients, organisational structures, products and services of the business divisions and the Corporate Center can also be found in the "*Our strategy, business model and environment*" section of the Annual Report 2018.

### *3.2.1 Global Wealth Management*

Global Wealth Management provides investment advice and solutions to private clients, in particular in the ultra high net worth and high net worth segments. Clients benefit from Global Wealth Management's comprehensive set of capabilities, including wealth planning, investing, lending, asset protection, philanthropy, corporate and banking services as well as family office services in collaboration with the Investment Bank and Asset Management. Global Wealth Management has a global footprint, with the US representing its largest market. Clients are served through local offices and dedicated advisors. The ultra high net worth business is managed globally across the regions.

### *3.2.2 Personal & Corporate Banking*

Personal & Corporate Banking provides comprehensive financial products and services to private, corporate and institutional clients and operates in Switzerland in the private and corporate loan market. Personal & Corporate Banking is central to UBS's universal bank model in Switzerland and it works with the wealth management, investment bank and asset management businesses to help clients receive the best products and solutions for their specific financial needs. While Personal & Corporate Banking operates primarily in its home market of Switzerland, it also provides capabilities to support the growth of the international business activities of UBS's corporate and institutional clients through local hubs in Frankfurt, New York, Hong Kong and Singapore. The business is divided into Personal Banking and Corporate & Institutional Clients (CIC).

### *3.2.3 Asset Management*

Asset Management is a large-scale and diversified global asset manager. It offers investment capabilities and styles across all major traditional and alternative asset classes, as well as platform solutions and advisory support to institutions, wholesale intermediaries and Global Wealth Management clients around the world. Asset Management offers clients a wide range of investment products and services in different asset classes in the form of segregated, pooled or advisory mandates as well as registered investment funds in various jurisdictions. It covers the main asset management markets globally, with a presence grouped in four regions: the Americas; Europe, Middle East and Africa; Switzerland; and Asia Pacific.

#### 3.2.4 *Investment Bank*

The Investment Bank provides a range of services to institutional, corporate and wealth management clients to help them raise capital, grow their businesses, invest and manage risks. It is focused on its traditional strengths in advisory, capital markets, equities and foreign exchange, complemented by a targeted rates and credit platform. The Investment Bank uses its research and technology capabilities to support its clients as they adapt to the evolving market structures and changes in the regulatory, technological, economic and competitive landscape. The Investment Bank delivers solutions to corporate, institutional and wealth management clients, using its intellectual capital and electronic platforms. It also provides services to Global Wealth Management, Personal & Corporate Banking and Asset Management. It has a global reach, with principal offices in all major financial hubs.

#### 3.2.5 *Corporate Center*

Corporate Center provides services to the Group through the Corporate Center – Services and Group Treasury units. Corporate Center also includes the Non-core and Legacy Portfolio unit. Corporate Center – Services consists of the Group Chief Operating Officer area (Group Technology, Group Corporate Services, Group Human Resources, Group Operations and Group Sourcing), Group Finance (excluding Group Treasury), Group Legal, Group Risk Control, Communications & Branding, Group Compliance, Regulatory & Governance, and UBS in society. Group Treasury manages the structural risk of UBS's balance sheet, including interest rate risk, structural foreign exchange risk and collateral risk, as well as the risks associated with the Group's liquidity and funding portfolios. Group Treasury also seeks to optimize financial performance by matching assets and liabilities. Group Treasury serves all business divisions and the other Corporate Center units through three main risk management areas, and its risk management is fully integrated into the Group's risk governance framework. Non-core and Legacy Portfolio manages legacy positions from businesses exited by the Investment Bank. It is overseen by a committee chaired by the Group Chief Risk Officer.

Beginning with the first quarter 2019 report, UBS provides results for total Corporate Center only and does not separately report Corporate Center – Services, Group ALM and Non-core and Legacy Portfolio. Furthermore, UBS has operationally combined Group Treasury with Group ALM and calls this combined function Group Treasury.

### **3.3 Competition**

The financial services industry is characterised by intense competition, continuous innovation, restrictive, detailed, and sometimes fragmented, regulation and ongoing consolidation. UBS faces competition at the level of local markets and individual business lines, and from global financial institutions that are comparable to UBS in their size and breadth. Barriers to entry in individual markets and pricing levels are being eroded by new technology. UBS expects these trends to continue and competition to increase.

### 3.4 Recent Developments

#### 3.4.1 UBS AG (consolidated) key figures

##### Selected consolidated financial information

UBS AG derived the selected consolidated financial information included in the table below for the years ended 31 December 2018, 2017 and 2016 from the Annual Report 2018, except where noted. The selected consolidated financial information included in the table below for the six months ended 30 June 2019 and 30 June 2018 was derived from the UBS AG Second Quarter 2019 Report.

The consolidated financial statements were prepared in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards ("IFRS") issued by the International Accounting Standards Board ("IASB"). Effective from 1 October 2018, the functional currency of UBS Group AG and UBS AG's Head Office in Switzerland changed from Swiss francs to US dollars and that of UBS AG's London Branch from British pounds to US dollars, in compliance with the requirements of International Accounting Standard (IAS) 21, *The Effects of Changes in Foreign Exchange Rates*. The presentation currency of UBS AG's consolidated financial statements has changed from Swiss francs to US dollars to align with the functional currency changes of significant Group entities. Prior periods have been restated for this presentation currency change. Assets, liabilities and total equity were translated to US dollars at closing exchange rates prevailing on the respective balance sheet dates, and income and expenses were translated at the respective average rates prevailing for the relevant periods.

Information for the years ended 31 December 2018, 2017 and 2016 which is indicated as being unaudited in the table below was included in the Annual Report 2018, but has not been audited on the basis that the respective disclosures are not required under IFRS, and therefore are not part of the audited financial statements. The Annual Report 2018 and the UBS AG Second Quarter 2019 Report are incorporated by reference herein. Prospective investors should read the whole of this Prospectus and the documents incorporated by reference herein and should not rely solely on the summarized information set out below.

	As of or for the six months ended		As of or for the year ended		
	30.6.19	30.6.18	31.12.18	31.12.17	31.12.16
<i>USD million, except where indicated</i>					
	<i>unaudited</i>		<i>audited, except where indicated</i>		

##### Results

###### Income statement

Operating income	14,975	16,033	30,642	30,044	28,831
Net interest income <sup>1</sup>	2,104	2,604	5,949	6,607	6,457
Net fee and commission income	8,631	9,194	17,930	17,550	16,644
Credit loss (expense) / recovery	(33)	(54)	(117)	(131)	(38)
Other net income from financial instruments measured at fair value through profit or loss <sup>1</sup>	3,872	3,968	5,977	5,067	5,018
Operating expenses	11,864	12,557	25,184	24,969	24,643
Operating profit / (loss) before tax	3,110	3,476	5,458	5,076	4,188
Net profit / (loss) attributable to shareholders	2,375	2,692	4,107	758	3,351

###### Balance sheet <sup>2</sup>



Total assets	968,645		958,055	940,020	919,236
Total financial liabilities measured at amortized cost	615,153		612,174	660,498	612,884
<i>of which: customer deposits</i>	435,582		421,986	423,058	418,129
<i>of which: subordinated debt</i>	7,649		7,511	9,217	11,352* <sup>3</sup>
Total financial liabilities measured at fair value through profit or loss	292,684		283,717	217,814	236,727
Loans and advances to customers	324,288		321,482	328,952	300,678
Total equity	52,529		52,432	52,046	53,627
Equity attributable to shareholders	52,359		52,256	51,987	52,957

**Profitability and growth**

Return on equity (%) <sup>4</sup>	9.0	10.3	7.9*	1.4*	6.0*
Return on tangible equity (%) <sup>5</sup>	10.3	11.8	9.1*	1.6*	6.9*
Return on common equity tier 1 capital (%) <sup>6</sup>	13.5	15.6	11.9*	2.3*	10.2*
Return on risk-weighted assets, gross (%) <sup>7</sup>	11.4	12.5	12.0*	12.8*	13.1*
Return on leverage ratio denominator, gross (%) <sup>8</sup>	3.3	3.5	3.4*	3.4*	3.2*
Cost / income ratio (%) <sup>9</sup>	79.1	78.1	81.9*	82.7*	85.4*
Net profit growth (%) <sup>10</sup>	(11.8)	16.4	441.9*	(77.4)*	(48.5)*

**Resources**

Common equity tier 1 capital <sup>11, 12</sup>	35,881	33,984	34,608	34,100*	31,879*
Risk-weighted assets <sup>11</sup>	261,364	253,873	262,840*	242,725*	219,330*
Common equity tier 1 capital ratio (%) <sup>11</sup>	13.7	13.4	13.2*	14.0*	14.5*
Going concern capital ratio (%) <sup>11</sup>	17.8	16.2	16.1*	15.6*	16.3*
Total loss-absorbing capacity ratio (%) <sup>11</sup>	33.0	31.7	31.3*	31.4*	29.6*
Leverage ratio denominator <sup>11</sup>	911,601	911,453	904,458*	910,133*	855,718*
Common equity tier 1 leverage ratio (%) <sup>11</sup>	3.94	3.73	3.83*	3.75*	3.73*
Going concern leverage ratio (%) <sup>11</sup>	5.1	4.5	4.7*	4.2*	4.2*
Total loss-absorbing capacity leverage ratio (%) <sup>11</sup>	9.5	8.8	9.1*	8.4*	7.6*

**Other**

Invested assets (USD billion) <sup>13</sup>	3,381	3,271	3,101	3,262	2,761
Personnel (full-time equivalents)	47,072	46,597	47,643*	46,009*	56,208*

\* unaudited

<sup>1</sup> Effective from the first quarter of 2019, UBS refined the presentation of dividend income and expense. This resulted in a reclassification of dividends from *Interest income (expense) from financial instruments measured at fair value through profit or loss* into *Other net income from financial instruments measured at fair value through profit or loss* (prior to 1 January 2019: *Other net income from fair value changes on financial instruments*). *Net Interest Income* and *Other net income from financial instruments measured at fair value through profit or loss* for the periods ending 30.06.2019 and 30.06.2018 have been restated.

<sup>2</sup> As reflected in the Annual Report 2018, the balance sheet figures under the column 31.12.2016 are as of 1.1.2017 for comparison purposes due to the adoption of IFRS 9, which was effective 1.1.2018.

<sup>3</sup> This amount has been translated from audited financials of the Annual Report 2017, which was reported in Swiss francs, into US dollars at closing exchange rates prevailing on the balance sheet date.

<sup>4</sup> Calculated as net profit attributable to shareholders (annualized as applicable) / average equity attributable to shareholders. This measure provides information on the profitability of the business in relation to equity.

<sup>5</sup> Calculated as net profit attributable to shareholders (annualized as applicable) / average equity attributable to shareholders less average goodwill and intangible assets. The definition of the numerator for return on tangible equity has been revised to align with numerators for return on equity and return on CET1 capital; i.e., it is no longer adjusted for amortization and impairment of goodwill

and intangible assets. Prior periods have been restated. This measure provides information on the profitability of the business in relation to tangible equity.

<sup>6</sup> Calculated as net profit attributable to shareholders (annualized as applicable) / average common equity tier 1 capital. This measure provides information on the profitability of the business in relation to common equity tier 1 capital.

<sup>7</sup> Calculated as operating income before credit loss expense or recovery (annualized as applicable) / average risk-weighted assets. This measure provides information on the revenues of the business in relation to risk-weighted assets.

<sup>8</sup> Calculated as operating income before credit loss expense or recovery (annualized as applicable) / average leverage ratio denominator. This measure provides information on the revenues of the business in relation to leverage ratio denominator.

<sup>9</sup> Calculated as operating expenses / operating income before credit loss expense or recovery. This measure provides information on the efficiency of the business by comparing operating expenses with gross income.

<sup>10</sup> Calculated as change in net profit attributable to shareholders from continuing operations between current and comparison periods / net profit attributable to shareholders from continuing operations of comparison period. This measure provides information on profit growth in comparison with the prior-year period.

<sup>11</sup> Based on the Swiss systemically relevant bank framework as of 1 January 2020.

<sup>12</sup> The information as published in Swiss francs in the Annual Report 2017 for the period ended on 31 December 2017 (CHF 33,240 million) and in the UBS Group AG and UBS AG annual report 2016 for the period ended on 31 December 2016 (CHF 32,447 million) was audited.

<sup>13</sup> Includes invested assets for Global Wealth Management, Asset Management and Personal & Corporate Banking.

### 3.4.2 *Accounting, regulatory and legal developments*

#### Swiss Corporate Tax Reform

In May 2019, the Swiss electorate approved corporate tax reform measures that abolish preferential corporate tax regimes and introduce a series of tax measures aligned with Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD) standards, while seeking to maintain Switzerland's competitiveness as a business location. The federal changes resulting from this tax reform are not expected to have a significant effect on the tax expenses for the Group, as increases resulting from the reform are expected to be largely offset by tax rate reductions and other changes currently under consideration at the cantonal level. The federal reform will become effective on 1 January 2020.

The reform measures also provide that for Swiss domiciled companies with shares listed on a stock exchange no more than 50% of dividends may be, and at least 50% of share repurchases for redemption must be, paid out of capital contribution reserves, with the remainder required to be paid from retained earnings.

As a result, at least 50% of all dividends paid after 1 January 2020, including dividends in respect of the financial year 2019, will be paid from retained earnings, and will be subject to a 35% Swiss withholding tax. As of 30 June 2019, UBS held USD 13 billion in approved capital contribution reserves for potential future distributions to shareholders, either in the form of dividends or share buybacks.

Separately, following a change in Swiss tax law as of 1 January 2019 that applies to holding companies of systemically relevant banks issuing loss-absorbing additional tier 1 or TLAC-eligible senior unsecured debt instruments, UBS will no longer issue such instruments out of UBS Group Funding (Switzerland) AG and existing instruments will be migrated to UBS Group AG during the second half of 2019.

#### EU equivalence for Swiss trading venues

On 18 June 2019, the European Commission decided not to extend its equivalence decision for Swiss trading venues beyond the end of June 2019, citing a perceived lack of progress toward the conclusion of an institutional framework agreement between Switzerland and the EU as the reason

for this decision. In reaction, the Swiss Federal Council activated a contingency measure to protect the Swiss stock exchange infrastructure, effective as of 1 July 2019. The Swiss measure introduced a recognition requirement for foreign trading venues that admit shares issued by Swiss incorporated companies to trading, with all EU trading venues having their recognition revoked due to the lack of reciprocity.

To comply with this measure, trading in Swiss shares on EU trading venues ceased on and was redirected from EU to Swiss trading venues as of 1 July 2019 as permitted under EU law in the absence of an EU trading venue.

UBS has prepared for this scenario and has, as of 1 July 2019, routed relevant trade flows in Swiss shares from EU to Swiss trading venues, with limited adjustment costs for UBS.

#### BCBS initial margin offset in the leverage ratio and new disclosure requirements

The Basel Committee on Banking Supervision ("BCBS") agreed to align the leverage ratio measurement of client-cleared derivatives with the standardized approach to measuring counterparty credit risk exposures (SA-CCR). UBS expects these provisions will become effective as of 1 January 2022. This treatment permits both cash and non-cash forms of segregated initial margin, as well as cash and non-cash variation margin, received from a client to offset the replacement cost and potential future exposure for client-cleared derivatives only. This will help to mitigate any potential effect on the leverage ratio denominator from the finalization of the Basel III capital framework, which takes effect from 1 January 2022.

The BCBS also introduced a new disclosure standard, effective as of 1 January 2022, which sets out additional requirements for banks to disclose their leverage ratios based on quarter-end and daily average values of securities financing transactions.

#### Consultation regarding revision of the Swiss Banking Act

In March 2019, the Swiss Federal Council commenced a consultation process with regard to a partial revision of the Swiss Banking Act. The consultation process ended in June 2019.

Among the proposed measures to strengthen the depositor protection scheme is a requirement that banks deposit half of their contribution obligations for the deposit protection scheme in securities or cash with a custodian.

An adjustment to the Intermediated Securities Act would introduce a requirement that all custodians of intermediated securities separate their own portfolios from the portfolios of their clients.

UBS expects the final rules to enter into effect no earlier than 2021 and to result in moderate additional costs for all Switzerland-based Group entities in scope.

#### US Regulation Best Interest

The US Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC") has adopted rules and interpretations to enhance customer protection of retail investors. The effective date of these new provisions will be 30 June 2020. The new rules are intended to align the legal requirements and mandated disclosures for broker-dealers and investment advisers with reasonable investor expectations, while preserving access, in terms of choice and cost, to a variety of investment services and products.

Regulation Best Interest elevates the standard of care for broker-dealers from the current "suitability" requirement to a newly defined "best interest" standard, which applies to any securities transaction or investment strategy involving securities offered to a retail customer and makes clear that a broker-dealer may not put its financial interests ahead of the interests of a retail customer when making recommendations. The regulation also creates new disclosure requirements and additional compliance program requirements. Implementation of these changes will require operational and supervisory changes for UBS's US broker-dealers.

### SEC amendments to cross-border application of US security-based swap regulations / Capital, margin and segregation requirements for security-based swap dealers

The SEC recently proposed amendments to previously proposed measures on the cross-border application of US security-based swap regulations, as well as adopting capital, margin and segregation requirements for security-based swap dealers.

The amendments to the cross-border application of US security-based swap regulations would allow greater involvement by US-based personnel in transactions by non-US security-based swap dealers with non-US persons without requiring the non-US dealer to register with the SEC. The SEC also proposed interpretative guidance on its registration requirements, including the requirements for representations and legal opinions on access to books and records of a non-US dealer and requests for substituted compliance. UBS continues to expect that UBS AG will be required to register with the SEC as a security-based swap dealer, most likely not before 2021.

### Developments related to the transition away from IBORs

Liquidity and activity in Alternative Reference Rates ("ARR") continue to develop in markets globally, with work progressing to resolve the remaining issues associated with transitioning away from interbank offered rates ("IBORs"). Regulatory authorities continue to focus on transitioning to ARR by the end of 2021.

In May 2019, the International Accounting Standards Board ("IASB") issued an exposure draft Interest Rate Benchmark Reform addressing hedge accounting issues that arise before the IBORs are replaced to provide some relief during this period of uncertainty, with work continuing on those issues that are expected to arise after replacement.

UBS has a substantial number of contracts linked to IBORs. The new risk-free ARRs do not currently provide a term structure, which will require a change in the contractual terms of products currently indexed on terms other than overnight. UBS has established a cross-divisional, cross-regional governance structure and change program to address the scale and complexity of the transition.

### Strategic optimization initiatives

In June 2019, UBS announced a strategic wealth management partnership in Japan with Sumitomo Mitsui Trust Holdings, Inc. ("SuMi Trust Holdings"). Subject to receiving all necessary regulatory and other approvals, UBS and SuMi Trust Holdings plan to offer each other's products and services to their respective current and future clients from the end of 2019 through the establishment of a marketing joint venture. Subject to the same approvals, an operational joint venture entity will be established in 2021, which will be 51% owned and controlled by UBS, requiring UBS to consolidate the new company for accounting and regulatory reporting. UBS and SuMi Trust Holdings will, through the overall joint venture arrangement, be able to offer a more extensive range of products and services than either partner is currently able to offer on its own.

Effective 1 April 2019, as part of UBS's efforts to improve the resolvability of the Group, the portion of the Asset Management business in Switzerland conducted by UBS AG was transferred from UBS AG to its indirect subsidiary, UBS Asset Management Switzerland AG. With this transfer, UBS has completed the transfer of its Swiss Asset Management business and all Asset Management subsidiaries outside the US into a separate Asset Management sub-group structure.

UBS is continuing to execute on its strategic initiatives and is considering other strategic optimization opportunities that would leverage UBS's technology capabilities, build on its strengths and focus resources on growth areas. These opportunities may include strategic partnerships, additional collaboration across business divisions, evolution of UBS's business models and optimization of its legal entities.

Refer to the "Recent developments" section of the UBS Group Second Quarter 2019 Report, as well as to the "Regulatory and legal developments" in the "Our strategy, business model and

environment" section of the Annual Report 2018 for further information on key accounting, regulatory and legal developments.

### **3.5 Trend Information**

As indicated in the UBS Group Second Quarter 2019 Report, the overall pace of global growth has stabilized at a lower level after a synchronized global slowdown in prior quarters. Downside risks remain due to political uncertainties and geopolitical tensions. Central banks are indicating a reversal of monetary policy normalization and embarking on new stimulus measures. A sharp drop in interest rates and expected rate cuts will continue to adversely affect net interest income compared with last year. UBS's regional and business diversification, along with higher invested assets benefitting recurring revenues, will help to mitigate this. An improvement in investor sentiment and higher market volatility could help to offset the typical third quarter seasonality. UBS is executing its strategy with discipline, focusing on balancing efficiency and investments for growth, to deliver on our capital return objectives and to create sustainable long-term value for UBS shareholders.

Refer to "*Our environment*" and "*Risk factors*" in the "*Our strategy, business model and environment*" section of the Annual Report 2018 for more information.

## 4. Administrative, Management and Supervisory Bodies of UBS AG

UBS AG complies with all relevant Swiss legal and regulatory corporate governance requirements. As a foreign private issuer with debt securities listed on the New York Stock Exchange ("NYSE"), UBS AG also complies with the relevant NYSE corporate governance standards applicable to foreign private issuers.

UBS AG operates under a strict dual board structure, as mandated by Swiss banking law. The Board of Directors ("BoD") exercises the ultimate supervision over management, whereas the Executive Board ("EB"), headed by the President of the Executive Board ("President of the EB"), has executive management responsibility. The functions of Chairman of the BoD and President of the EB are assigned to two different people, ensuring a separation of power. This structure establishes checks and balances and preserves the institutional independence of the BoD from the day-to-day management of UBS AG, for which responsibility is delegated to the EB under the leadership of the President of the EB. No member of one board may simultaneously be a member of the other.

Supervision and control of the EB remain with the BoD. The authorities and responsibilities of the two bodies are governed by the Articles of Association and the Organization Regulations of UBS AG with their annexes.

### 4.1 Board of Directors

The BoD is the most senior body of UBS AG. The BoD consists of at least five and no more than twelve members. All the members of the BoD are elected individually by the Annual General Meeting of Shareholders ("AGM") for a term of office of one year, which expires after the completion of the next AGM. Shareholders also elect the Chairman upon proposal of the BoD.

The BoD meets as often as business requires, and at least six times a year.

#### 4.1.1 Members of the Board of Directors

Member and business address	Title	Term of office	Current principal positions outside UBS AG
Axel A. Weber  UBS AG, Bahnhofstrasse 45, CH-8001 Zurich	Chairman	2020	Chairman of the Board of Directors of UBS Group AG; board member of the Swiss Bankers Association; Trustees Board member of Avenir Suisse; Advisory Board member of the "Beirat Zukunft Finanzplatz"; board member of the Swiss Finance Council; Chairman of the board of the Institute of International Finance; member of the European Financial Services Round Table; member of the European Banking Group; member of the International Advisory Panel, Monetary Authority of Singapore; member of the Group of Thirty, Washington, D.C.; Chairman of the Board of Trustees of DIW Berlin; Advisory Board member of the Department of Economics, University of Zurich; member of the Trilateral Commission.
David Sidwell  UBS AG, Bahnhofstrasse 45, CH-8001 Zurich	Independent Vice Chairman	2020	Senior Independent Director and Independent Vice Chairman of the Board of Directors of UBS Group AG; Senior Advisor at Oliver Wyman, New York; board member of Chubb Limited; board member of GAVI Alliance; Chairman of the Board of Village Care, New York.
Jeremy Anderson UBS AG, Bahnhofstrasse 45, CH-8001 Zurich	Member	2020	Member of the Board of Directors of UBS Group AG; trustee of the UK's Productivity Leadership Group; trustee of Kingham Hill Trust; trustee of St. Helen Bishopsgate.

William C. Dudley UBS AG, Bahnhofstrasse 45, CH-8001 Zurich	Member	2020	Member of the Board of Directors of UBS Group AG; senior research scholar at the Griswold Center for Economic Policy Studies at Princeton University; member of the Group of Thirty; member of the Council on Foreign Relations.
Reto Francioni UBS AG, Bahnhofstrasse 45, CH-8001 Zurich	Member	2020	Member of the Board of Directors of UBS Group AG; professor at the University of Basel; board member of Coca-Cola HBC AG (Senior Independent Non-Executive Director); Chairman of the board of Swiss International Air Lines AG; board member of Francioni AG; board member of MedTech Innovation Partners AG; executive director and member of my TAMAR GmbH.
Fred Hu UBS AG, Bahnhofstrasse 45, CH-8001 Zurich	Member	2020	Member of the Board of Directors of UBS Group AG; non-executive chairman of the board of Yum China Holdings; board member of ICBC; board member of Hong Kong Exchanges and Clearing Ltd.; founder and chairman of Primavera Capital Group; board member of China Asset Management; board member of Minsheng Financial Leasing Co.; trustee of the China Medical Board; Governor of the Chinese International School; co-chairman of the Nature Conservancy's Asia Pacific Council; director and member of the Executive Committee of China Venture Capital and Private Equity Association Ltd.; Global Advisory Board member of the Council on Foreign Relations.
Julie G. Richardson UBS AG, Bahnhofstrasse 45, CH-8001 Zurich	Member	2020	Member of the Board of Directors of UBS Group AG; board member of The Hartford Financial Services Group, Inc. (chairman of the audit committee); Board member of Yext (chairman of the audit committee); board member of Vereit, Inc. (chairman of the compensation committee).
Isabelle Romy UBS AG, Bahnhofstrasse 45, CH-8001 Zurich	Member	2020	Member of the Board of Directors of UBS Group AG; partner and board member at Frieriep Legal AG; professor at the University of Fribourg and at the Federal Institute of Technology, Lausanne; Vice Chairman of the Sanction Commission of SIX Swiss Exchange; member of the Fundraising Committee of the Swiss National Committee for UNICEF; Supervisory Board member of the CAS program Financial Regulation of the University of Bern and University of Geneva.
Robert W. Scully UBS AG, Bahnhofstrasse 45, CH-8001 Zurich	Member	2020	Member of the Board of Directors of UBS Group AG; board member of Chubb Limited; board member of Zoetis Inc.; board member of KKR & Co Inc.; board member of Teach For All.
Beatrice Weder di Mauro UBS AG, Bahnhofstrasse 45, CH-8001 Zurich	Member	2020	Member of the Board of Directors of UBS Group AG; Research Professor and Distinguished Fellow at INSEAD in Singapore; Supervisory Board member of Robert Bosch GmbH; board member of Bombardier Inc.; member of the ETH Zurich Foundation Board of Trustees.; member of the Foundation Board of the International Center for Monetary and Banking Studies (ICMB).
Dieter Wemmer UBS AG, Bahnhofstrasse 45, CH-8001 Zurich	Member	2020	Member of the Board of Directors of UBS Group AG; board member of Ørsted A/S; member of the Berlin Center of Corporate Governance; senior advisor Texas Pacific Group..
Jeanette Wong UBS AG, Bahnhofstrasse 45, CH-8001 Zurich	Member	2020	Member of the Board of Directors of UBS Group AG; board member of Essilor International and EssilorLuxottica; board member of Jurong Town Corporation; board member of PSA International; board member of FFMC Holdings Pte. Ltd.; board member of Fullerton Fund Management Company Ltd.; member of the NUS Business School Management Advisory Board; member of the Global Advisory Board, Asia, for the University of Chicago Booth School of Business; member of the Securities Industry Council.

#### 4.1.2 Organisational principles and structure

Following each AGM, the BoD meets to appoint one or more Vice Chairmen, BoD committee members, and their respective Chairpersons. At the same meeting, the BoD appoints a Company Secretary, who acts as secretary to the BoD and its committees.

The BoD committees comprise the Audit Committee, the Compensation Committee and the Risk Committee. The BoD may set up other committees, including so-called ad hoc committees, if it deems such other committees appropriate or necessary.

### 4.1.3 Audit Committee

The Audit Committee ("AC") consists of five BoD members, all of whom were determined by the BoD to be fully independent. As a group, members of the Audit Committee must have the necessary qualifications and skills to perform all of their duties and together must possess financial literacy and experience in banking and risk management.

The AC itself does not perform audits, but monitors the work of the external auditors who in turn are responsible for auditing UBS AG's consolidated and standalone annual financial statements and for reviewing the quarterly financial statements.

The function of the AC is to serve as an independent and objective body with oversight of: (i) UBS AG's accounting policies, financial reporting and disclosure controls and procedures, (ii) the quality, adequacy and scope of external audit, (iii) UBS AG's compliance with financial reporting requirements, (iv) the executives' approach to internal controls with respect to the production and integrity of the financial statements and disclosure of the financial performance, and (v) the performance of Internal Audit in conjunction with the Chairman of the BoD.

Together with the external auditors and Internal Audit, the AC in particular reviews the annual financial statements of UBS AG and, where applicable, the quarterly financial statements as well as the consolidated annual and quarterly financial statements and consolidated annual report of UBS AG, as proposed by management, in order to recommend their approval to the BoD or propose any adjustments the AC considers appropriate.

Periodically, and at least annually, the AC assesses the qualifications, expertise, effectiveness, independence and performance of the external auditors and their lead audit partner, in order to support the BoD in reaching a decision in relation to the appointment or dismissal of the external auditors and to the rotation of the lead audit partner. The BoD then submits these proposals to the shareholders for approval at the AGM.

The members of the AC are Jeremy Anderson (Chairperson), Isabelle Romy, Beatrice Weder di Mauro, Dieter Wemmer and Jeanette Wong.

## 4.2 Executive Board ("EB")

Under the leadership of the President of the EB, the EB has executive management responsibility for UBS AG and its business. All EB members (with the exception of the President of the EB) are proposed by the President of the EB. The appointments are made by the BoD.

### 4.2.1 Members of the Executive Board

Member and business address	Function	Current principal positions outside UBS AG
Sergio P. Ermotti  UBS AG, Bahnhofstrasse 45, CH-8001 Zurich	President of the Executive Board	Member of the Group Executive Board and Group Chief Executive Officer of UBS Group AG; board member of UBS Switzerland AG; Chairman of the UBS Optimus Foundation board; Chairman of the Fondazione Ermotti, Lugano; board member of the Swiss-American Chamber of Commerce; board member of the Global Apprenticeship Network; member of the Institut International D'Etudes Bancaires; member of the Said Business School Global Leadership Council, University of Oxford.
Martin Blessing UBS AG, Bahnhofstrasse 45, CH-8001 Zurich	co-President Global Wealth Management	Member of the Group Executive Board and co-President Global Wealth Management of UBS Group AG; member of the Executive Board of Baden-Baden Entrepreneur Talks.



Christian Bluhm UBS AG, Bahnhofstrasse 45, CH-8001 Zurich	Chief Risk Officer	Member of the Group Executive Board and Group Chief Risk Officer of UBS Group AG; board member of UBS Switzerland AG; chairman of the Foundation Board – International Financial Risk Institute.
Markus U. Diethelm UBS AG, Bahnhofstrasse 45, CH-8001 Zurich	General Counsel	Member of the Group Executive Board and Group General Counsel of UBS Group AG; chairman of the Swiss-American Chamber of Commerce's legal committee; Chairman of the Swiss Advisory Council of the American Swiss Foundation; member of the Foundation Council of the UBS International Center of Economics in Society; member of the Supervisory Board of the Fonds de Dotation LUMA / Arles.
Kirt Gardner UBS AG, Bahnhofstrasse 45, CH-8001 Zurich	Chief Financial Officer	Member of the Group Executive Board and Group Chief Financial Officer of UBS Group AG; board member of UBS Business Solutions AG.
Robert Karofsky UBS AG, 1285 Avenue Of The Americas, New York, NY 10019, USA	Co-President Investment Bank	Member of the Group Executive Board and co-President Investment Bank of UBS Group AG; president and board member of UBS Securities LLC; trustee of the UBS Americas Inc. Political Action Committee.
Sabine Keller-Busse UBS AG, Bahnhofstrasse 45, CH-8001 Zurich	Chief Operating Officer	Member of the Group Executive Board and Group Chief Operating Officer of UBS Group AG; board member of UBS Business Solutions AG; vice-chairman of the Board of Directors of SIX Group (Chairman of the nomination & compensation committee); Foundation Board member of the UBS Pension Fund; Foundation Board member of the University Hospital Zurich.
Edmund Koh UBS AG, One Raffles Quay North Tower, Singapore 048583	President UBS Asia Pacific	Member of the Group Executive Board of UBS Group AG and President UBS Asia Pacific; member of the Wealth Management Institute at Nanyang Technological University Singapore; member of the Ministry of Finance's Committee on the Future Economy Sub-Committees; member of the Board of Next50 Limited; trustee of the Cultural Matching Fund; member of the Board of Medico Suites (S) Pte Ltd; member of the Board of Medico Republic (S) Pte Ltd.
Ulrich Körner UBS AG, Bahnhofstrasse 45, CH-8001 Zurich	President Asset Management and President UBS Europe, Middle East and Africa	Member of the Group Executive Board, President Asset Management and President UBS Europe, Middle East and Africa at UBS Group AG; member of the Supervisory Board of UBS Europe SE; Chairman of the Foundation Board of the UBS Pension Fund; member of the UBS Optimus Foundation Board; Vice President of the board of Lyceum Alpinum Zuoz; member of the Financial Service Chapter Board of the Swiss-American Chamber of Commerce; Advisory Board member of the Department of Banking and Finance at the University of Zurich; member of the business advisory council of the Laureus Foundation Switzerland.
Tom Naratil UBS AG, 1285 Avenue Of The Americas, New York, NY 10019 USA	co-President Global Wealth Management and President UBS Americas	Member of the Group Executive Board and co-President Global Wealth Management and President UBS Americas of UBS Group AG; CEO and board member of UBS Americas Holding LLC; board member of the American Swiss Foundation; member of the Board of Consultants for the College of Nursing at Villanova University.
Piero Novelli UBS AG, Bahnhofstrasse 45, CH-8001 Zurich	Co-President Investment Bank	Member of the Group Executive Board and co-President Investment Bank at UBS Group AG.
Markus Ronner UBS AG, Bahnhofstrasse 45, CH-8001 Zurich	Chief Compliance and Governance Officer	Member of the Group Executive Board and Group Chief Compliance and Governance Officer at UBS Group AG.

### 4.3 Potential Conflicts of Interest

Members of the BoD and the EB may act as directors or executive officers of other companies (for current principal positions outside UBS AG, if any, of BoD and EB members, please see sections 4.1.1 and 4.2.1 above, respectively) and may have economic or other private interests that differ from those of UBS AG. Conflicts of interest may potentially arise from these positions or interests. For example, it cannot be excluded that a member of the BoD or EB has or will have a function within a company, the shares of which are or will be traded by UBS AG or which has or will have a business



relationship with UBS AG. UBS AG is confident that its internal corporate governance practices and its compliance with relevant legal and regulatory provisions reasonably ensure that any conflicts of interest of the type described above are appropriately managed, including through disclosure when appropriate.

## 5. Auditors

Based on article 31 of the Articles of Association, UBS AG shareholders elect the auditors for a term of office of one year. At the AGMs of 2 March 2017, 26 April 2018 and 18 April 2019, Ernst & Young Ltd, Aeschengraben 9, CH-4002 Basel ("Ernst & Young") was elected as auditor for the consolidated and standalone financial statements of UBS AG for a one-year term.

Ernst & Young is a member of EXPERTsuisse, the Swiss Expert Association for Audit, Tax and Fiduciary.



## 6. Major Shareholders of UBS AG

UBS Group AG owns 100% of the outstanding shares of UBS AG.

## 7. Financial Information concerning UBS AG's Assets and Liabilities, Financial Position and Profits and Losses

### 7.1 Historical Annual Financial Information

Detailed information about UBS AG consolidated and UBS AG assets and liabilities, financial position and profits and losses for financial year 2018 is available in the section "*UBS AG consolidated financial statements*" of the Annual Report 2018 and in the UBS AG's standalone financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2018 (the "Standalone Financial Statements 2018"), respectively; and for financial year 2017 it is available in the "*Consolidated financial statements*" section of the UBS Group AG and UBS AG annual report 2017, published on 9 March 2018 ("Annual Report 2017") and in the UBS AG's standalone financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2017 (the "Standalone Financial Statements 2017"). The consolidated and standalone financial accounts are closed on 31 December of each year.

With respect to the financial year 2018, reference is made to:

- (i) the following parts of the Annual Report 2018: the UBS AG consolidated financial statements, in particular to the Income statement on page 524, the Balance sheet on page 527, the Statement of changes in equity on pages 528-531 (inclusive), the Statement of cash flows on pages 533-534 (inclusive) and the Notes to the consolidated financial statements on pages 535-722 (inclusive); and
- (ii) the following parts of the Standalone Financial Statements 2018: the Income statement on page 1, the Balance sheet on pages 2-3 (inclusive), the Statement of appropriation of total profit / (loss) carried forward on page 5, and the Notes to the UBS AG standalone financial statements on pages 6-28 (inclusive).

With respect to the financial year 2017, reference is made to:

- (i) the following parts of the Annual Report 2017: the UBS AG consolidated financial statements, in particular to the Income statement on page 470, the Balance sheet on page 473, the Statement of changes in equity on pages 474-477 (inclusive), the Statement of cash flows on pages 479-480 (inclusive) and the Notes to the consolidated financial statements on pages 481-622 (inclusive); and
- (ii) the following parts of the Standalone Financial Statements 2017: the Income statement on page 1, the Balance sheet on pages 2-3, the Statement of appropriation of retained earnings and proposed dividend distribution on page 4, and the Notes to the UBS AG standalone financial statements on pages 5-22 (inclusive).

The annual financial reports form an essential part of UBS AG's reporting. They include the audited consolidated financial statements of UBS AG, prepared in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards, as issued by the International Accounting Standards Board. The annual reports also include discussions and analysis of the consolidated financial and business results of UBS, its business divisions and the Corporate Center. In addition, UBS AG prepares and publishes standalone financial statements in accordance with Swiss GAAP, as well as certain additional disclosures required under US Securities and Exchange Commission regulations.

## **7.2 Auditing of Historical Annual Financial Information**

The consolidated financial statements and the standalone financial statements of UBS AG for financial years 2018 and 2017 were audited by Ernst & Young. The reports of the auditors on the consolidated financial statements can be found on pages 514-523 (inclusive) of the Annual Report 2018 and on pages 464-469 (inclusive) of the Annual Report 2017. The reports of the auditors on the standalone financial statements of UBS AG can be found on pages 29-33 (inclusive) of the Standalone Financial Statements 2018 and on pages 23-26 (inclusive) of the Standalone Financial Statements 2017.

There are no qualifications in the auditors' reports on the consolidated financial statements of UBS AG and the standalone financial statements of UBS AG for the years ended on 31 December 2018 and 31 December 2017, which are incorporated by reference into this document.

## **7.3 Interim Financial Information**

Reference is also made to (i) the UBS Group AG first quarter 2019 report published on 25 April 2019 ("UBS Group First Quarter 2019 Report"), and the UBS AG first quarter 2019 report published on 30 April 2019 ("UBS AG First Quarter 2019 Report"), which contain information on the financial condition and results of operations, including the interim financial statements, of UBS Group AG consolidated and UBS AG consolidated, respectively, as of and for the period ended 31 March 2019; and to (ii) the UBS Group AG second quarter 2019 report published on 23 July 2019 ("UBS Group Second Quarter 2019 Report") and the UBS AG second quarter 2019 report, published on 26 July 2019 ("UBS AG Second Quarter 2019 Report"), which contain information on the financial condition and results of operations, including the interim financial statements, of UBS Group AG consolidated and UBS AG consolidated, respectively, as of and for the period ended 30 June 2019. The interim consolidated financial statements are not audited.

## **7.4 Incorporation by Reference**

The Annual Report 2018, the Standalone Financial Statements 2018, the Annual Report 2017, the Standalone Financial Statements 2017, the UBS Group First Quarter 2019 Report, the UBS AG First Quarter 2019 Report, the UBS Group Second Quarter 2019 Report and the UBS AG Second Quarter 2019 Report are fully incorporated in, and form an integral part of, this document.

## **7.5 Litigation, Regulatory and Similar Matters**

UBS operates in a legal and regulatory environment that exposes it to significant litigation and similar risks arising from disputes and regulatory proceedings. As a result, UBS (which for purposes of this section may refer to UBS AG and / or one or more of its subsidiaries, as applicable) is involved in various disputes and legal proceedings, including litigation, arbitration, and regulatory and criminal investigations.

Such matters are subject to many uncertainties, and the outcome and the timing of resolution are often difficult to predict, particularly in the earlier stages of a case. There are also situations where UBS may enter into a settlement agreement. This may occur in order to avoid the expense, management distraction or reputational implications of continuing to contest liability, even for those matters for which UBS believes it should be exonerated. The uncertainties inherent in all such matters affect the amount and timing of any potential outflows for both matters with respect to

which provisions have been established and other contingent liabilities. UBS makes provisions for such matters brought against it when, in the opinion of management after seeking legal advice, it is more likely than not that UBS has a present legal or constructive obligation as a result of past events, it is probable that an outflow of resources will be required, and the amount can be reliably estimated. Where these factors are otherwise satisfied, a provision may be established for claims that have not yet been asserted against UBS, but are nevertheless expected to be, based on UBS's experience with similar asserted claims. If any of those conditions is not met, such matters result in contingent liabilities. If the amount of an obligation cannot be reliably estimated, a liability exists that is not recognized even if an outflow of resources is probable. Accordingly, no provision is established even if the potential outflow of resources with respect to such matters could be significant. Developments relating to a matter that occur after the relevant reporting period, but prior to the issuance of financial statements, which affect management's assessment of the provision for such matter (because, for example, the developments provide evidence of conditions that existed at the end of the reporting period), are adjusting events after the reporting period under IAS 10 and must be recognized in the financial statements for the reporting period.

Specific litigation, regulatory and other matters are described below, including all such matters that management considers to be material and others that management believes to be of significance due to potential financial, reputational and other effects. The amount of damages claimed, the size of a transaction or other information is provided where available and appropriate in order to assist users in considering the magnitude of potential exposures.

In the case of certain matters below, UBS states that it has established a provision, and for the other matters, it makes no such statement. When UBS makes this statement and it expects disclosure of the amount of a provision to prejudice seriously its position with other parties in the matter because it would reveal what UBS believes to be the probable and reliably estimable outflow, UBS does not disclose that amount. In some cases UBS is subject to confidentiality obligations that preclude such disclosure. With respect to the matters for which UBS does not state whether it has established a provision, either (a) it has not established a provision, in which case the matter is treated as a contingent liability under the applicable accounting standard; or (b) it has established a provision but expects disclosure of that fact to prejudice seriously its position with other parties in the matter because it would reveal the fact that UBS believes an outflow of resources to be probable and reliably estimable.

With respect to certain litigation, regulatory and similar matters for which UBS has established provisions, UBS is able to estimate the expected timing of outflows. However, the aggregate amount of the expected outflows for those matters for which it is able to estimate expected timing is immaterial relative to its current and expected levels of liquidity over the relevant time periods.

The aggregate amount provisioned for litigation, regulatory and similar matters as a class is disclosed in "Note 15a Provisions" of the UBS AG's interim consolidated financial statements included in the UBS AG Second Quarter 2019 Report. It is not practicable to provide an aggregate estimate of liability for UBS's litigation, regulatory and similar matters as a class of contingent liabilities. Doing so would require UBS to provide speculative legal assessments as to claims and proceedings that involve unique fact patterns or novel legal theories, that have not yet been initiated or are at early stages of adjudication, or as to which alleged damages have not been quantified by the claimants. Although it therefore cannot provide a numerical estimate of the future losses that could arise from litigation, regulatory and similar matters, UBS believes that the aggregate amount of possible future losses from this class that are more than remote substantially exceeds the level of current provisions. Litigation, regulatory and similar matters may also result in non-monetary penalties and consequences. For example, the non-prosecution agreement described in item 5 of this section, which UBS entered into with the US Department of Justice ("DOJ"), Criminal Division, Fraud Section

in connection with UBS's submissions of benchmark interest rates, including, among others, the British Bankers' Association London Interbank Offered Rate ("LIBOR"), was terminated by the DOJ based on its determination that UBS had committed a US crime in relation to foreign exchange matters. As a consequence, UBS AG pleaded guilty to one count of wire fraud for conduct in the LIBOR matter, paid a fine and is subject to probation through January 2020. A guilty plea to, or conviction of, a crime could have material consequences for UBS. Resolution of regulatory proceedings may require UBS to obtain waivers of regulatory disqualifications to maintain certain operations, may entitle regulatory authorities to limit, suspend or terminate licenses and regulatory authorizations and may permit financial market utilities to limit, suspend or terminate UBS's participation in such utilities. Failure to obtain such waivers, or any limitation, suspension or termination of licenses, authorizations or participations, could have material consequences for UBS. The risk of loss associated with litigation, regulatory and similar matters is a component of operational risk for purposes of determining UBS's capital requirements. Information concerning UBS's capital requirements and the calculation of operational risk for this purpose is included in the "Capital management" section of the UBS Group Second Quarter 2019 Report.

**Provisions for litigation, regulatory and similar matters by business division and in Corporate Center<sup>1</sup>**

<i>USD million</i>	<b>Global Wealth Manage- ment</b>	<b>Personal &amp; Corporate Banking</b>	<b>Asset Manage- ment</b>	<b>Investme nt Bank</b>	<b>Corporat e Center</b>	<b>UBS</b>
<b>Balance as of 31 December 2018</b>	1,003	117	0	269	1,438	2,827
<b>Balance as of 31 March 2019</b>	943	114	0	201	1,419	2,677
Increase in provisions recognized in the income statement	39	0	0	0	0	<b>40</b>
Release of provisions recognized in the income statement	(19)	0	0	(1)	(15)	<b>(35)</b>
Provisions used in conformity with designated purpose	(113)	(1)	0	0	(70)	<b>(184)</b>
Foreign currency translation / unwind of discount	7	2	0	2	0	<b>11</b>
<b>Balance as of 30 June 2019</b>	<b>858</b>	<b>114</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>202</b>	<b>1,334</b>	<b>2,509</b>

<sup>1</sup> Provisions, if any, for the matters described in this section are recorded in Global Wealth Management (item 3 and item 4) and Corporate Center (item 2). Provisions, if any, for the matters described in items 1 and 6 of this section are allocated between Global Wealth Management and Personal & Corporate Banking, and provisions, if any, for the matters described in this section in item 5 are allocated between the Investment Bank and Corporate Center.

1. Inquiries regarding cross-border wealth management businesses

Tax and regulatory authorities in a number of countries have made inquiries, served requests for information or examined employees located in their respective jurisdictions relating to the cross-border wealth management services provided by UBS and other financial institutions. It is possible that the implementation of automatic tax information exchange and other measures relating to cross-border provision of financial services could give rise to further inquiries in the future. UBS has received disclosure orders from the Swiss Federal Tax Administration ("FTA") to transfer information based on requests for international administrative assistance in tax matters. The requests concern a number of UBS account numbers pertaining to current and former clients and are based on data from 2006 and 2008. UBS has taken steps to inform affected clients about the administrative assistance proceedings and their procedural rights, including the right to appeal. The requests are based on data received from the German authorities, who seized certain data related to UBS clients booked in Switzerland during their investigations and have apparently shared this data with other European countries. UBS expects additional countries to file similar requests.

The Swiss Federal Administrative Court ruled in 2016 that, in the administrative assistance proceedings related to a French bulk request, UBS has the right to appeal all final FTA client data disclosure orders. On 30 July 2018, the Swiss Federal Administrative Court granted UBS's appeal by holding the French administrative assistance request inadmissible. The FTA filed a final appeal with the Swiss Federal Supreme Court. The Supreme Court on 26 July 2019, reversed the decision of the Federal Administrative Court. The judges also stated that FTA must ensure that the French



authorities respect the principle of "speciality", i.e. that the information provided may only be used for the purposes specified in the request. The court will issue a written decision in due course.

Since 2013, UBS (France) S.A., UBS AG and certain former employees have been under investigation in France for alleged complicity in having illicitly solicited clients on French territory, regarding the laundering of proceeds of tax fraud, and banking and financial solicitation by unauthorized persons. In connection with this investigation, the investigating judges ordered UBS AG to provide bail ("caution") of EUR 1.1 billion and UBS (France) S.A. to post bail of EUR 40 million, which was reduced on appeal to EUR 10 million.

A trial in the court of first instance took place from 8 October 2018 until 15 November 2018. On 20 February 2019, the court announced a verdict finding UBS AG guilty of illicitly soliciting clients on French territory and aggravated laundering of the proceeds of tax fraud, and UBS France S.A. guilty of aiding and abetting unlawful solicitation and laundering the proceeds of tax fraud. The court imposed fines aggregating EUR 3.7 billion on UBS AG and UBS France S.A. and awarded EUR 800 million of civil damages to the French state. UBS has appealed the decision. Under French law, the judgment is suspended while the appeal is pending. The Court of Appeal will retry the case de novo as to both the law and the facts, and the fines and penalties can be greater than or less than those imposed by the court of first instance. A subsequent appeal to the Cour de Cassation, France's highest court, is possible with respect to questions of law.

UBS believes that based on both the law and the facts the judgment of the court of first instance should be reversed. UBS believes it followed its obligations under Swiss and French law as well as the European Savings Tax Directive. Even assuming liability, which it contests, UBS believes the penalties and damage amounts awarded greatly exceed the amounts that could be supported by the law and the facts. In particular, UBS believes the court incorrectly based the penalty on the total regularized assets rather than on any unpaid taxes on those assets for which a fraud has been characterized, and further incorrectly awarded damages based on costs that were not proven by the civil party. Notwithstanding that UBS believes it should be acquitted, its balance sheet at 30 June 2019 reflected provisions with respect to this matter in an amount of USD 516 million. The wide range of possible outcomes in this case contributes to a high degree of estimation uncertainty. The provision reflected on UBS's balance sheet at 30 June 2019 reflects its best estimate of possible financial implications, although it is reasonably possible that actual penalties and civil damages could exceed the provision amount.

In 2016, UBS was notified by the Belgian investigating judge that it is under formal investigation ("inculpé") regarding the laundering of proceeds of tax fraud, of banking and financial solicitation by unauthorized persons, and of serious tax fraud. In 2018, tax authorities and a prosecutor's office in Italy asserted that UBS is potentially liable for taxes and penalties as a result of its activities in Italy from 2012 to 2017. In June 2019, UBS entered into a settlement agreement with the Italian tax authorities under which it paid EUR 101 million to resolve the claims asserted by the authority related to UBS AG's potential permanent establishment in Italy.

UBS has, and reportedly numerous other financial institutions have, received inquiries from authorities concerning accounts relating to the Fédération Internationale de Football Association (FIFA) and other constituent soccer associations and related persons and entities. UBS is cooperating with authorities in these inquiries.

UBS's balance sheet at 30 June 2019 reflected provisions with respect to matters described in this item 1 in an amount that UBS believes to be appropriate under the applicable accounting standard. As in the case of other matters for which UBS has established provisions, the future outflow of resources in respect of such matters cannot be determined with certainty based on currently

available information and accordingly may ultimately prove to be substantially greater (or may be less) than the provision that UBS has recognized.

## 2. Claims related to sales of residential mortgage-backed securities and mortgages

From 2002 through 2007, prior to the crisis in the US residential loan market, UBS was a substantial issuer and underwriter of US residential mortgage-backed securities ("RMBS") and was a purchaser and seller of US residential mortgages. A subsidiary of UBS, UBS Real Estate Securities Inc. ("UBS RESI"), acquired pools of residential mortgage loans from originators and (through an affiliate) deposited them into securitization trusts. In this manner, from 2004 through 2007, UBS RESI sponsored approximately USD 80 billion in RMBS, based on the original principal balances of the securities issued.

UBS RESI also sold pools of loans acquired from originators to third-party purchasers. These whole loan sales during the period 2004 through 2007 totalled approximately USD 19 billion in original principal balance.

UBS was not a significant originator of US residential loans. A branch of UBS originated approximately USD 1.5 billion in US residential mortgage loans during the period in which it was active from 2006 to 2008, and securitized less than half of these loans.

*Lawsuits related to contractual representations and warranties concerning mortgages and RMBS:* When UBS acted as an RMBS sponsor or mortgage seller, it generally made certain representations relating to the characteristics of the underlying loans. In the event of a material breach of these representations, UBS was in certain circumstances contractually obligated to repurchase the loans to which the representations related or to indemnify certain parties against losses. In 2012, certain RMBS trusts filed an action in the US District Court for the Southern District of New York seeking to enforce UBS RESI's obligation to repurchase loans in the collateral pools for three RMBS securitizations issued and underwritten by UBS with an original principal balance of approximately USD 2 billion. In July 2018, UBS and the trustee entered into an agreement under which UBS will pay USD 850 million to resolve this matter. A significant portion of this amount will be borne by other parties that indemnified UBS. The settlement remains subject to court approval and proceedings to determine how the settlement funds will be distributed to RMBS holders. After giving effect to this settlement, UBS considers claims relating to substantially all loan repurchase demands to be resolved, and believes that new demands to repurchase US residential mortgage loans are time-barred under a decision rendered by the New York Court of Appeals.

*Mortgage-related regulatory matters:* Since 2014, the US Attorney's Office for the Eastern District of New York has sought information from UBS pursuant to the Financial Institutions Reform, Recovery and Enforcement Act of 1989 ("FIRREA"), related to UBS's RMBS business from 2005 through 2007. On 8 November 2018, the DOJ filed a civil complaint in the District Court for the Eastern District of New York. The complaint seeks unspecified civil monetary penalties under FIRREA related to UBS's issuance, underwriting and sale of 40 RMBS transactions in 2006 and 2007. UBS moved to dismiss the civil complaint on 6 February 2019.

UBS's balance sheet at 30 June 2019 reflected a provision with respect to matters described in this item 2 in an amount that UBS believes to be appropriate under the applicable accounting standard. As in the case of other matters for which UBS has established provisions, the future outflow of resources in respect of this matter cannot be determined with certainty based on currently available information and accordingly may ultimately prove to be substantially greater (or may be less) than the provision that UBS has recognized.

### 3. Madoff

In relation to the Bernard L. Madoff Investment Securities LLC ("BMIS") investment fraud, UBS AG, UBS (Luxembourg) S.A. (now UBS Europe SE, Luxembourg branch) and certain other UBS subsidiaries have been subject to inquiries by a number of regulators, including FINMA and the Luxembourg Commission de Surveillance du Secteur Financier. Those inquiries concerned two third-party funds established under Luxembourg law, substantially all assets of which were with BMIS, as well as certain funds established in offshore jurisdictions with either direct or indirect exposure to BMIS. These funds faced severe losses, and the Luxembourg funds are in liquidation. The documentation establishing both funds identifies UBS entities in various roles, including custodian, administrator, manager, distributor and promoter, and indicates that UBS employees serve as board members.

In 2009 and 2010, the liquidators of the two Luxembourg funds filed claims against UBS entities, non-UBS entities and certain individuals, including current and former UBS employees, seeking amounts totalling approximately EUR 2.1 billion, which includes amounts that the funds may be held liable to pay the trustee for the liquidation of BMIS ("BMIS Trustee").

A large number of alleged beneficiaries have filed claims against UBS entities (and non-UBS entities) for purported losses relating to the Madoff fraud. The majority of these cases have been filed in Luxembourg, where decisions that the claims in eight test cases were inadmissible have been affirmed by the Luxembourg Court of Appeal, and the Luxembourg Supreme Court has dismissed a further appeal in one of the test cases.

In the US, the BMIS Trustee filed claims against UBS entities, among others, in relation to the two Luxembourg funds and one of the offshore funds. The total amount claimed against all defendants in these actions was not less than USD 2 billion. In 2014, the US Supreme Court rejected the BMIS Trustee's motion for leave to appeal decisions dismissing all claims except those for the recovery of approximately USD 125 million of payments alleged to be fraudulent conveyances and preference payments. In 2016, the bankruptcy court dismissed these claims against the UBS entities. The BMIS Trustee appealed. In February 2019, the Court of Appeals reversed the dismissal of the BMIS Trustee's remaining claims. The defendants, including UBS, are preparing a petition to the US Supreme Court requesting that it review the Court of Appeals' decision. The bankruptcy proceedings have been stayed pending a decision with respect to that petition.

### 4. Puerto Rico

Declines since 2013 in the market prices of Puerto Rico municipal bonds and of closed-end funds ("funds") that are sole-managed and co-managed by UBS Trust Company of Puerto Rico and distributed by UBS Financial Services Incorporated of Puerto Rico ("UBS PR") have led to multiple regulatory inquiries, as well as customer complaints and arbitrations with aggregate claimed damages of USD 3.2 billion, of which claims with aggregate claimed damages of USD 2.2 billion have been resolved through settlements, arbitration or withdrawal of the claim. The claims have been filed by clients in Puerto Rico who own the funds or Puerto Rico municipal bonds and / or who used their UBS account assets as collateral for UBS non-purpose loans; customer complaint and arbitration allegations include fraud, misrepresentation and unsuitability of the funds and of the loans.

A shareholder derivative action was filed in 2014 against various UBS entities and current and certain former directors of the funds, alleging hundreds of millions of US dollars in losses in the funds. In 2015, defendants' motion to dismiss was denied and a request for permission to appeal that ruling was denied by the Puerto Rico Supreme Court. In 2014, a federal class action complaint also was filed against various UBS entities, certain members of UBS PR senior management and the

co-manager of certain of the funds, seeking damages for investor losses in the funds during the period from May 2008 through May 2014. Following denial of the plaintiffs' motion for class certification, the case was dismissed in October 2018.

In 2014 and 2015, UBS entered into settlements with the Office of the Commissioner of Financial Institutions for the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, the US Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) and the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority in relation to their examinations of UBS's operations.

In 2011, a purported derivative action was filed on behalf of the Employee Retirement System of the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico ("System") against over 40 defendants, including UBS PR, which was named in connection with its underwriting and consulting services. Plaintiffs alleged that defendants violated their purported fiduciary duties and contractual obligations in connection with the issuance and underwriting of USD 3 billion of bonds by the System in 2008 and sought damages of over USD 800 million. In 2016, the court granted the System's request to join the action as a plaintiff, but ordered that plaintiffs must file an amended complaint. In 2017, the court denied defendants' motion to dismiss the amended complaint.

Beginning in 2015, and continuing through 2017, certain agencies and public corporations of the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico ("Commonwealth") defaulted on certain interest payments on Puerto Rico bonds. In 2016, US federal legislation created an oversight board with power to oversee Puerto Rico's finances and to restructure its debt. The oversight board has imposed a stay on the exercise of certain creditors' rights. In 2017, the oversight board placed certain of the bonds into a bankruptcy-like proceeding under the supervision of a Federal District Judge. These events, further defaults or any further legislative action to create a legal means of restructuring Commonwealth obligations or to impose additional oversight on the Commonwealth's finances, or any restructuring of the Commonwealth's obligations, may increase the number of claims against UBS concerning Puerto Rico securities, as well as potential damages sought.

In May 2019 the oversight board filed complaints in Puerto Rico federal district court bringing claims against financial, legal and accounting firms that had participated in Puerto Rico municipal bond offerings, including UBS, seeking a return of underwriting and swap fees paid in connection with those offerings. UBS estimates that it received approximately USD 125 million in fees in the relevant offerings.

UBS's balance sheet at 30 June 2019 reflected provisions with respect to matters described in this item 4 in amounts that UBS believes to be appropriate under the applicable accounting standard. As in the case of other matters for which UBS has established provisions, the future outflow of resources in respect of such matters cannot be determined with certainty based on currently available information and accordingly may ultimately prove to be substantially greater (or may be less) than the provisions that UBS has recognized.

#### 5. Foreign exchange, LIBOR, and benchmark rates, and other trading practices

*Foreign exchange-related regulatory matters:* Beginning in 2013, numerous authorities commenced investigations concerning possible manipulation of foreign exchange markets and precious metals prices. In 2014 and 2015, UBS reached settlements with the UK Financial Conduct Authority ("FCA") and the US Commodity Futures Trading Commission ("CFTC") in connection with their foreign exchange investigations, FINMA issued an order concluding its formal proceedings relating to UBS's foreign exchange and precious metals businesses, and the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System (Federal Reserve Board) and the Connecticut Department of Banking issued a Cease and Desist Order and assessed monetary penalties against UBS AG. In 2015, the DOJ's Criminal Division terminated the 2012 non-prosecution agreement with UBS AG related to UBS's

submissions of benchmark interest rates, and UBS AG pleaded guilty to one count of wire fraud, paid a fine and is subject to probation through January 2020. In 2019 the European Commission announced two decisions with respect to foreign exchange trading. UBS was granted immunity by the European Commission in these matters and therefore was not fined. UBS has ongoing obligations to cooperate with these authorities and to undertake certain remediation measures. UBS has also been granted conditional immunity by the Antitrust Division of the DOJ and by authorities in other jurisdictions in connection with potential competition law violations relating to foreign exchange and precious metals businesses. Investigations relating to foreign exchange matters by certain authorities remain ongoing notwithstanding these resolutions.

*Foreign exchange-related civil litigation:* Putative class actions have been filed since 2013 in US federal courts and in other jurisdictions against UBS and other banks on behalf of putative classes of persons who engaged in foreign currency transactions with any of the defendant banks. UBS has resolved US federal court class actions relating to foreign currency transactions with the defendant banks and persons who transacted in foreign exchange futures contracts and options on such futures under a settlement agreement that provides for UBS to pay an aggregate of USD 141 million and provide cooperation to the settlement classes. Certain class members have excluded themselves from that settlement and have filed individual actions in US and English courts against UBS and other banks, alleging violations of US and European competition laws and unjust enrichment.

In 2015, a putative class action was filed in federal court against UBS and numerous other banks on behalf of persons and businesses in the US who directly purchased foreign currency from the defendants and alleged co-conspirators for their own end use. In March 2017, the court granted UBS's (and the other banks') motions to dismiss the complaint. The plaintiffs filed an amended complaint in August 2017. In March 2018, the court denied the defendants' motions to dismiss the amended complaint.

In 2017, two putative class actions were filed in federal court in New York against UBS and numerous other banks on behalf of persons and entities who had indirectly purchased foreign exchange instruments from a defendant or co-conspirator in the US, and a consolidated complaint was filed in June 2017. In March 2018, the court dismissed the consolidated complaint. In October 2018, the court granted plaintiffs' motion seeking leave to file an amended complaint.

*LIBOR and other benchmark-related regulatory matters:* Numerous government agencies, including the SEC, the CFTC, the DOJ, the FCA, the UK Serious Fraud Office, the Monetary Authority of Singapore, the Hong Kong Monetary Authority, FINMA, various state attorneys general in the US and competition authorities in various jurisdictions have conducted or are continuing to conduct investigations regarding potential improper attempts by UBS, among others, to manipulate LIBOR and other benchmark rates at certain times. In 2012, UBS reached settlements relating to benchmark interest rates with the UK Financial Services Authority, the CFTC and the Criminal Division of the DOJ, and FINMA issued an order in its proceedings with respect to UBS relating to benchmark interest rates. In addition, UBS entered into settlements with the European Commission and with the Swiss Competition Commission ("WEKO") regarding its investigation of bid-ask spreads in connection with Swiss franc interest rate derivatives. UBS has ongoing obligations to cooperate with the authorities with whom UBS has reached resolutions and to undertake certain remediation measures with respect to benchmark interest rate submissions. In December 2018, UBS entered into a settlement agreement with the New York and other state attorneys general under which it has paid USD 68 million to resolve claims by the attorneys general related to LIBOR. UBS has been granted conditional leniency or conditional immunity from authorities in certain jurisdictions, including the Antitrust Division of the DOJ and WEKO, in connection with potential antitrust or competition law violations related to certain rates. However, UBS has not reached a final settlement with WEKO, as the Secretariat of WEKO has asserted that UBS does not qualify for full immunity.

*LIBOR and other benchmark-related civil litigation:* A number of putative class actions and other actions are pending in the federal courts in New York against UBS and numerous other banks on behalf of parties who transacted in certain interest rate benchmark-based derivatives. Also pending in the US and in other jurisdictions are a number of other actions asserting losses related to various products whose interest rates were linked to LIBOR and other benchmarks, including adjustable rate mortgages, preferred and debt securities, bonds pledged as collateral, loans, depository accounts, investments and other interest-bearing instruments. The complaints allege manipulation, through various means, of certain benchmark interest rates, including USD LIBOR, Euroyen TIBOR, Yen LIBOR, EURIBOR, CHF LIBOR, GBP LIBOR, USD and SGD SIBOR and SOR and Australian BBSW, and seek unspecified compensatory and other damages under varying legal theories.

*USD LIBOR class and individual actions in the US:* In 2013 and 2015, the district court in the USD LIBOR actions dismissed, in whole or in part, certain plaintiffs' antitrust claims, federal racketeering claims, CEA claims, and state common law claims. Although the Second Circuit vacated the district court's judgment dismissing antitrust claims, the district court again dismissed antitrust claims against UBS in 2016. Certain plaintiffs have appealed that decision to the Second Circuit. Separately, in 2018, the Second Circuit reversed in part the district court's 2015 decision dismissing certain individual plaintiffs' claims. UBS entered into an agreement in 2016 with representatives of a class of bondholders to settle their USD LIBOR class action. The agreement has received preliminary court approval and remains subject to final approval. In 2018, the district court denied plaintiffs' motions for class certification in the USD class actions for claims pending against UBS, and plaintiffs sought permission to appeal that ruling to the Second Circuit. In July 2018, the Second Circuit denied the petition to appeal of the class of USD lenders and in November 2018 denied the petition of the USD exchange class. In January 2019, a putative class action was filed in the District Court for the Southern District of New York against UBS and numerous other banks on behalf of US residents who, since 1 February 2014, directly transacted with a defendant bank in USD LIBOR instruments. The complaint asserts antitrust and unjust enrichment claims.

*Other benchmark class actions in the US:* In 2014, the court in one of the Euroyen TIBOR lawsuits dismissed certain of the plaintiffs' claims, including a federal antitrust claim, for lack of standing. In 2015, this court dismissed the plaintiffs' federal racketeering claims on the same basis and affirmed its previous dismissal of the plaintiffs' antitrust claims against UBS. In 2017, this court also dismissed the other Yen LIBOR / Euroyen TIBOR action in its entirety on standing grounds, as did the court in the CHF LIBOR action. Also in 2017, the courts in the EURIBOR lawsuit dismissed the cases as to UBS and certain other foreign defendants for lack of personal jurisdiction. In October 2018, the court in the SIBOR / SOR action dismissed all but one of plaintiffs' claims against UBS. Plaintiffs in the CHF LIBOR and SIBOR / SOR actions have filed amended complaints following the dismissals, which UBS and other defendants have moved to dismiss. In November 2018, the court in the BBSW lawsuit dismissed the case as to UBS and certain other foreign defendants for lack of personal jurisdiction. Following that dismissal, plaintiffs in the BBSW action filed an amended complaint in April 2019, which UBS and other defendants named in the amended complaint have moved to dismiss. UBS and other defendants also moved to dismiss the GBP LIBOR action in December 2016, but that motion was denied as to UBS in December 2018. UBS moved for reconsideration of that decision in January 2019.

*Government bonds:* Putative class actions have been filed since 2015 in US federal courts against UBS and other banks on behalf of persons who participated in markets for US Treasury securities since 2007. A consolidated complaint was filed in 2017 in the US District Court for the Southern District of New York alleging that the banks colluded with respect to, and manipulated prices of, US Treasury securities sold at auction and in the secondary market and asserting claims under the antitrust laws and for unjust enrichment. Defendants' motions to dismiss the consolidated complaint are pending.

UBS and reportedly other banks are responding to investigations and requests for information from various authorities regarding US Treasury securities and other government bond trading practices. As a result of its review to date, UBS has taken appropriate action.

With respect to additional matters and jurisdictions not encompassed by the settlements and orders referred to above, UBS's balance sheet at 30 June 2019 reflected a provision in an amount that UBS believes to be appropriate under the applicable accounting standard. As in the case of other matters for which UBS has established provisions, the future outflow of resources in respect of such matters cannot be determined with certainty based on currently available information and accordingly may ultimately prove to be substantially greater (or may be less) than the provision that UBS has recognized.

#### 6. Swiss retrocessions

The Federal Supreme Court of Switzerland ruled in 2012, in a test case against UBS, that distribution fees paid to a firm for distributing third-party and intra-group investment funds and structured products must be disclosed and surrendered to clients who have entered into a discretionary mandate agreement with the firm, absent a valid waiver.

FINMA has issued a supervisory note to all Swiss banks in response to the Supreme Court decision. UBS has met the FINMA requirements and has notified all potentially affected clients.

The Supreme Court decision has resulted, and may continue to result, in a number of client requests for UBS to disclose and potentially surrender retrocessions. Client requests are assessed on a case-by-case basis. Considerations taken into account when assessing these cases include, among other things, the existence of a discretionary mandate and whether or not the client documentation contained a valid waiver with respect to distribution fees.

UBS's balance sheet at 30 June 2019 reflected a provision with respect to matters described in this item 6 in an amount that UBS believes to be appropriate under the applicable accounting standard. The ultimate exposure will depend on client requests and the resolution thereof, factors that are difficult to predict and assess. Hence, as in the case of other matters for which UBS has established provisions, the future outflow of resources in respect of such matters cannot be determined with certainty based on currently available information and accordingly may ultimately prove to be substantially greater (or may be less) than the provision that UBS has recognized.

Except as otherwise disclosed in this document (including in the documents incorporated by reference herein), there are no court, arbitral or administrative proceedings (including any such proceedings which are pending or threatened, of which UBS AG is aware), which are of material importance to UBS AG's assets and liabilities or profits and losses.

#### **7.6 Material Contracts**

Except as otherwise disclosed in this document (including the documents incorporated herein by reference), no material contracts have been entered into outside of the ordinary course of UBS AG's or UBS AG Group's business, which could result in any member of the UBS AG Group being under an obligation or entitlement that is material to UBS AG's ability to meet its obligations to the investors in relation to the issued securities.

## **7.7 Significant Changes in the Financial or Trading Position; Material Adverse Change in Prospects**

Except as otherwise indicated in this document (including the documents incorporated herein by reference), no material changes have occurred in UBS AG's assets and liabilities, financial position or profits and losses since 30 June 2019.

Except as otherwise disclosed in this document (including in the documents incorporated herein by reference), there has been no material adverse change in the prospects of UBS AG or UBS AG Group since 31 December 2018.



## 8. Share Capital

As reflected in its Articles of Association most recently registered with the Commercial Register of Zurich and the Commercial Register of Basel-City, UBS AG has (i) fully paid and issued share capital of CHF 385,840,846.60, divided into 3,858,408,466 registered shares with a par value of CHF 0.10 each (article 4), and (ii) conditional capital in the amount of CHF 38,000,000, comprising 380,000,000 registered shares with a par value of CHF 0.10 each that can be issued upon the voluntary or mandatory exercise of conversion rights and/or warrants (article 4a).

## 9. Dividends

For the financial year ended on 31 December 2014, UBS AG paid to its shareholders a dividend of CHF 0.50 per share of CHF 0.10 par value in cash or, at the election of each shareholder, a number of new UBS AG shares as to be of substantially equivalent value to CHF 0.50. UBS AG also paid a supplementary cash dividend of CHF 0.25 per share of CHF 0.10 par value. For the financial year ended 31 December 2015, UBS AG paid a dividend of CHF 3,434 million to UBS Group AG. In addition, as part of the establishment of UBS Business Solutions AG, UBS AG paid a cash dividend of CHF 30 million and transferred its participation in the Poland Service Center as a dividend-in-kind at book value of CHF 5 million to UBS Group AG in 2015. For the financial year ended on 31 December 2016, UBS AG paid to UBS Group AG a dividend of CHF 2,250 million. For the financial year ended on 31 December 2017, UBS AG paid to UBS Group AG a dividend of CHF 3,065 million. For the financial year ended on 31 December 2018, UBS AG paid to UBS Group AG a dividend of USD 3,250 million.

## 10. Documents on Display

- The full annual report of UBS Group AG and UBS AG as of 31 December 2017;
- The UBS AG standalone financial statements and regulatory information for the year ended 31 December 2017 (including the "Report of the statutory auditor on the financial statements");
- The full annual report of UBS Group AG and UBS AG as of 31 December 2018;
- The UBS AG standalone financial statements and regulatory information for the year ended 31 December 2018 (including the "Report of the statutory auditor on the financial statements");
- The UBS Group First Quarter 2019 Report and the UBS AG First Quarter 2019 Report;
- The UBS Group Second Quarter 2019 Report and the UBS AG Second Quarter 2019 Report; and
- The most recent Articles of Association of UBS AG,

shall be maintained in printed format, for free distribution, at the offices of UBS AG for a period of twelve months after the publication of this document. In addition, the annual and quarterly reports, as well as quarterly result materials of UBS Group AG and UBS AG are published on UBS's website, at [www.ubs.com/investors](http://www.ubs.com/investors) or a successor address. The Articles of Association of UBS AG are also available on UBS's Corporate Governance website, at [www.ubs.com/governance](http://www.ubs.com/governance).

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