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Dexia Bank Belgium passes the test set by the European Banking Authority in relation to capital requirements for banks

The European Banking Authority (EBA) today published its estimate of the capital requirements for some seventy European banks. Although Dexia Bank Belgium was not included in the sample and is not obliged to meet the criteria set by the European Banking Authority, it confirms that as a non-listed autonomous bank, it meets those criteria set by the EBA.

The criteria require that the 71 banks tested:

- strengthen their capital position by establishing a temporary capital reserve against exposure to variations in the value of the public debt in their books,

- establish a capital reserve to achieve a Core Tier 1 ratio of 9% by the end of June 2012.

The test was performed on the basis of the figures as at 30 September 2011.

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