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Deutsche Bank AG London

Up to 10,000,000 CROCI Euro Index Certificates™
relating to the Deutsche Bank CROCI Euro Index™

Issued under its **x-markets**™ Programme

Issue Price: EUR 100 per certificate

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Deutsche Bank AG London (the "Issuer") is the London branch of Deutsche Bank AG which is incorporated under the laws of Germany. Deutsche Bank AG London is registered as a foreign company in England and Wales.

Under its X-markets Programme (the "Programme") the Issuer may issue certain securities relating to shares and/or indices and/or debt securities and/or commodities and/or currencies. The Issuer has determined to issue up to 10,000,000 certificates (the "Securities") relating to the Deutsche Bank CROCI Euro Index™ upon the product terms and conditions set out in Section I of this document (the "Product Conditions") and the general terms and conditions set out in Section II of this document (the "General Conditions", which together with the Product Conditions shall be referred to as the "Conditions"). References to the term "Underlying Asset" shall be construed as references to the Deutsche Bank CROCI US Euro Index™ specified above.

The Issuer has a right of substitution and a right to change the office through which it is acting, subject as provided in General Condition 8.

Application has been made to list the Securities on the Freiverkehr of the Frankfurt and Stuttgart Stock Exchange (EUWAX). For the purposes of compliance with the national laws and regulations concerning the offering and/or listing of the Securities outside Germany this document may have attached to it one or more country addenda (each a "Country Addendum"). The attachment of one or more Country Addenda shall not preclude the attachment of further Country Addenda from time to time. References to "this document" shall, unless the context otherwise requires, include any Country Addendum from time to time attached to this document.

The Securities will be represented by a global security (a "Global Security") which the Issuer will deposit with a depository on behalf of the Clearing Agent(s) (as defined in the Product Conditions) on the date of issue of the Securities. Definitive Securities will not be issued.

The Securities may be sold by the Issuer at such times and at such prices as the Issuer may select provided that where the Securities are listed on any stock exchange this shall be subject to applicable regulations of any such stock exchange. There is no obligation upon the Issuer to sell all of the Securities. The Securities may be offered or sold from time to time in one or more transactions, in the over-the-counter market or otherwise at prevailing market prices or in negotiated transactions, in each case at the discretion of the Issuer.

Prospective purchasers of the Securities should ensure that they understand fully the nature of the Securities, as well as the extent of their exposure to risks associated with an investment in the Securities and should consider the suitability of an investment in the Securities in light of their own particular financial, fiscal and other circumstances. Prospective purchasers of the Securities should refer to "Product Specific Risk Factors" in Section I and "General Risk Factors" in Section II of this document. The Securities will represent unsubordinated, unsecured contractual obligations of the Issuer which will rank *pari passu* in all respects with each other.

The Securities have not been registered under the United States Securities Act of 1933, as amended, and trading in the Securities has not been approved by the United States Commodity Futures Trading Commission under the United States Commodity Exchange Act, as amended. For a description of certain restrictions on the sale and transfer of the Securities, please refer to the General Selling and Transfer Restrictions in Section II of this document.

The Preliminary Offering Circular is dated 15 December 2003 and provides information with respect to various types of financial instruments which are capable of issue under the Programme. This Offering Circular constitutes, in relation to the Securities only, a completed version of the Preliminary Offering Circular and is dated 19 July 2004.

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The delivery of this document does not at any time imply that the information contained herein is correct at any time subsequent to the date of this document or that any further information supplied in connection with the Securities is correct as of any time subsequent to the date indicated in the document containing the same.

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This document contains forward-looking statements. Forward-looking statements are statements that are not historical facts, including statements about our beliefs and expectations. Any statement in this document that states our intentions, beliefs, expectations or predictions (and the assumptions underlying them) is a forward-looking statement. These statements are based on plans, estimates, and projections as they are currently available to the management of Deutsche Bank. Forward-looking statements therefore speak only as of the date they are made, and we undertake no obligation to update publicly any of them in light of new information or future events. Forward-looking statements involve inherent risks and uncertainties. A number of important factors could therefore cause actual results of the Issuer or of the Securities to differ materially from those contained in any forward-looking statement.

**Up to 10,000,000 Deutsche Bank CROCI Euro Certificates™
relating to the Deutsche Bank CROCI Euro Index™**

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| Issuer: | Deutsche Bank AG London |
| Number of X-certificates: | Up to 10,000,000 Deutsche Bank CROCI Euro Certificates™ |
| Underlying Asset: | Deutsche Bank CROCI Euro Index™ |
| Initial Reference Level: | Means, an amount equal to the Reference Level on the Initial Reference Valuation Date |
| Issue Price: | EUR 100 |
| Issue Date | 16 August 2004 |
| Primary Market End Date | 16 August 2004 |
| Final Reference Level: | Means, an amount equal the Reference Level on the Valuation Date |
| Exercise Date: | The last Business Day of each February, May, August and November during the Exercise Period |
| Settlement: | Cash |
| Settlement Date: | Means, in respect of a Security and its Exercise Date, the third Business Day following the relevant Valuation Date or, if there is more than one Valuation Date, the last occurring relevant Valuation Date |
| Settlement Currency: | EUR |
| Cash Settlement Amount: | Means, with respect to each Security, an amount determined by the Calculation Agent as follows: $\text{Final Reference Level} \times \text{Multiplier}$ Converted into the Settlement Currency at the Exchange Rate on the Valuation Date. The Cash Settlement Amount will be rounded to the nearest two decimal places in the Settlement Currency, 0.005 being rounded downwards |
| Multiplier | Means, in relation to any day, a number equal to <ol style="list-style-type: none">1) In relation to the first Multiplier Adjustment Date, the quotient of<ol style="list-style-type: none">a) 100 Euro x Exchange Rate on the Initial Reference Valuation Date x (100% minus the Management Fee) (as numerator); andb) the Initial Reference Level (as denominator)2) in relation to each subsequent Multiplier Adjustment Date, the product of<ol style="list-style-type: none">a) the Multiplier on the immediately preceding Multiplier Adjustment Date andb) 100% minus the Management Fee] subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4 |
| Minimum Exercise Amount | 1 Certificate |
| Listing | Freiverkehr Frankfurt and Stuttgart Stock Exchange (EUWAX) |
| Calculation Agent: | The Issuer |

Principal Agent: Deutsche Bank AG London
German Security Identification Number (WKN): DB091Z
ISIN Code: DE000DB091XZ1
Common Code:

The Subscription Period

Applications to subscribe for the Securities may be made from 20 July 2004 until the Primary Market End Date as described in Section IV, 2.

Cancellation of the Issuance of the Securities

The Issuer reserves the right for any reason to cancel the issuance of the Securities.

Early Closing of the Subscription of the Securities

In accordance with Section IV, 2, the Issuer reserves the right for any reason to close the subscription period early.

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SECTION I: PRODUCT INFORMATION

PRODUCT CONDITIONS

INFORMATION RELATING TO THE UNDERLYING

These Product Conditions relate to the Securities and must be read in conjunction with, and are subject to, the General Conditions set out in Section II of this document. The Product Conditions and the General Conditions together constitute the Conditions of the Securities and will be attached to the Global Security representing the Securities.

PRODUCT CONDITIONS

1. Definitions

"**Affiliate**" means any entity controlled, directly or indirectly, by the Issuer, any entity that controls, directly or indirectly, the Issuer, or any entity under common control with the Issuer. As used herein "**control**" means ownership of a majority of the voting power of the entity or, as the case may be, the Issuer and "**controlled by**" and "**controls**" shall be construed accordingly;

"**Agent**" means, subject to the provisions of General Condition 5, Deutsche Bank AG, acting through its branch office in London (Deutsche Bank AG London) (the "**Principal Agent**") and through its principal office in Frankfurt am Main, (each an "**Agent**" and together the "**Agents**");

"**Quarterly Management Fee**" means 0.25% per cent. ;

"**Business Day**" means a day (other than a Saturday or Sunday) on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets settle payments in London, and Frankfurt am Main and a day on which each Clearing Agent is open for business and, for the purpose of making payments in euro, if applicable, any day on which the Trans-European Automated Real-Time Gross Settlement Express Transfer (TARGET) system is open;

"**Calculation Agent**" means the Issuer, subject to the provisions of General Condition 5;

"**Cash Settlement Amount**" means, with respect to each Security, an amount determined by the Calculation Agent as follows:

$$\text{Final Reference Level} \times \text{Multiplier}$$

The Cash Settlement Amount will be rounded to the nearest two decimal places in the Settlement Currency, 0.005 being rounded downwards;

"**Clearing Agent**" means Clearstream Banking AG in Frankfurt am Main, Germany, and such further or alternative clearing agent(s) or clearance system(s) as may be approved by the Issuer from time to time and notified to the Securityholders in accordance with General Condition 4 (each a "**Clearing Agent**" and together the "**Clearing Agents**");

"**Exercise Date**" means last Business Day of each February, May, August and November during the Exercise Period;

"**Exercise Period**" means the period commencing on (and excluding) the Initial Reference Valuation Date up to (and excluding) the Termination Date or, if such day is not a Business Day, the first succeeding Business Day;

"**Exercise Notice**" means the notice described in Product Condition 3;

"**Final Reference Level**" means, subject to Product Condition 4 and as provided in the definition of "Valuation Date", an amount equal the Reference Level on the

Valuation Date as determined by the Calculation Agent and without regard to any subsequently published correction(s);

"Global Security" has the meaning ascribed thereto in Product Condition 2;

"Initial Reference Level" means, subject to Product Condition 4 and as provided in the definition of "Initial Reference Valuation Date", an amount equal to the Reference Level on the Initial Reference Valuation Date as determined by the Calculation Agent and without regard to any subsequently published correction(s);

"Initial Reference Valuation Date" means 16 August 2004 or, if such day is not a Trading Day, the next following Trading Day] unless, in the opinion of the Calculation Agent, a Market Disruption Event has occurred on such day. If there is a Market Disruption Event on such day, then the Initial Reference Valuation Date shall be the first succeeding Trading Day on which there is no Market Disruption Event. If the first succeeding Trading Day on which there is no Market Disruption Event has not occurred by the eighth Trading Day immediately following the original date which, but for the occurrence of a Market Disruption Event, would have been the Initial Reference Valuation Date, then (A) that eighth Trading Day shall be deemed to be the Initial Reference Valuation Date and (B) the Calculation Agent shall determine the Reference Level for the Initial Reference Valuation Date by determining the price or level of the Underlying that would have prevailed but for the occurrence of a Market Disruption Event as of that eighth Trading Day having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported, published or traded price of the Underlying and, if applicable, of each asset included in the Underlying and such other factors as the Calculation Agent considers relevant;

"Issue Date" means 16 August 2004;

"Issuer" means Deutsche Bank AG, Frankfurt am Main, acting through its London branch (Deutsche Bank AG London);

"Market Disruption Event" means each event specified to be a Market Disruption Event in Product Condition 4;

"Multiplier" means , in relation to any day, a number equal to

- 3) in relation to the first Multiplier Adjustment Date , the quotient of
 - a) 100 Euro x (100% minus the Management Fee) (as numerator); and
 - b) the Initial Reference Level (as denominator)
- 4) in relation to each subsequent Multiplier Adjustment Date, the product of
 - a) the Multiplier on the immediately preceding Multiplier Adjustment Date and
 - b) 100% minus the Management Fee]

subject to adjustment in accordance with Product Condition 4;

"Multiplier Adjustment Date" means each Exercise Date, or, if such day is not a Trading Day, the next following Trading Day unless, in the opinion of the Calculation Agent, a Market Disruption Event has occurred on such day. If there is a Market Disruption Event on such day, then the Multiplier Adjustment Date shall be the first succeeding Trading Day on which there is no Market Disruption Event. If the first succeeding Trading Day on which there is no Market Disruption

Event has not occurred by the eighth Trading Day immediately following the original date which, but for the occurrence of a Market Disruption Event, would have been the Multiplier Adjustment Date, then that eighth Trading Day shall be deemed to be the Multiplier Adjustment Date;

"Primary Market End Date" means 16. August 2004 or, if such day is not a Business Day, the first succeeding Business Day;

"Redemption Date" means the date during the Redemption Period specified by the Issuer in the Redemption Notice provided that such date shall not be earlier than 12 months following and excluding the date that the Redemption Notice is deemed given in accordance with General Condition 4.2 and provided further that if such date is not a Business Day, then the Redemption Date will be the immediately succeeding Business Day;

"Redemption Notice" means the notice described as such in Product Condition 3.1;

"Redemption Period" means the period commencing on (and excluding) 16. August 2005;

"Reference Level" means, in respect of any day, subject to Product Condition 4, an amount (which shall be deemed to be a monetary value in the Settlement] Currency) equal to the official closing level of the Underlying on such day, as determined by the Calculation Agent;

"Reference Source" means the reference source or reference sources specified in the table under "Underlying" below, or any successor to such reference source, acceptable to and all as determined by the Calculation Agent;

"Securities" means 10,000,000 certificates relating to the Underlying represented by the Global Security and each a **"Security"**;

"Securityholder Expenses" means, in respect of a Security, all taxes, duties and/or expenses, including any applicable depository charges, transaction or exercise charges, stamp duty, stamp duty reserve tax, issue, registration, securities transfer and/or other taxes or duties, arising in connection with (i) the exercise of such Security and/or (ii) any payment and/or delivery due following exercise or otherwise in respect of such Security;

"Settlement" means cash settlement ("**Cash Settlement**");

"Settlement Currency" means Euro;

"Settlement Date" means in respect of a Security and its Exercise Date, the third Business Day following the relevant Valuation Date or, if there is more than one Valuation Date, the last occurring relevant Valuation Date;

"Termination Date" means

1. if the Securityholder has exercised the Security, or if the Security is deemed to be exercised, in accordance with Product Condition 3, the relevant Exercise Date,
2. if the Issuer has elected to redeem the Security in accordance with Product Condition 3, the relevant Redemption Date,

all as determined by the Calculation Agent;]

"Trading Day" means any day that is (or, but for the occurrence of a Market Disruption Event, would have been) a trading day for each Reference Source,

provided that trading day shall mean any day on which such Reference Source is open for trading other than a day on which trading on such Reference Source is scheduled to close prior to its regular weekday closing time;

"Underlying" means the following index:

| Type of Underlying | Name of Underlying | Sponsor or Issuer of Underlying | Reference Source |
|--------------------|--------------------------------|---------------------------------|---|
| Index | Deutsche Bank CROCI Euro Index | Deutsche Bank AG | In relation to each security or other asset constituting the Index, the primary exchange on which such security or other asset is listed or traded as determined by the Calculation Agent |

"Valuation Date" means the first Trading Day following the Termination Date, or, if such day is not a Trading Day, the next following Trading Day unless, in the opinion of the Calculation Agent, a Market Disruption Event has occurred on such day. If there is a Market Disruption Event on such day, then the Valuation Date shall be the first succeeding Trading Day on which there is no Market Disruption Event. If the first succeeding Trading Day on which there is no Market Disruption Event has not occurred by the eighth Trading Day immediately following the original date which, but for the occurrence of a Market Disruption Event, would have been the Valuation Date, then (A) that eighth Trading Day shall be deemed to be the Valuation Date and (B) the Calculation Agent shall determine the Reference Level for the Valuation Date by determining the price or level of the Underlying that would have prevailed but for the occurrence of a Market Disruption Event as of that eighth Trading Day having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported, published or traded price of the Underlying and, if applicable, of each asset included in the Underlying and such other factors as the Calculation Agent considers relevant.

2. Form

The Securities are represented by a global security (the "**Global Security**") which will, if deposited with a Clearing Agent in Germany, be in bearer form for the purposes of German law.

The Global Security has been deposited with Clearing Agent(s). No definitive Securities will be issued. The Securities are transferable in accordance with applicable law and any rules and procedures for the time being of any Clearing Agent through whose books any of the Securities are transferred.

Where Product Condition 5 specifies that the governing law of the Securities is English law, each person (other than another Clearing Agent) who is for the time being shown in the records of the relevant Clearing Agent as the holder of a particular amount of the Securities (in which regard any certificate or other document issued by the relevant Clearing Agent as to the amount of Securities standing to the account of any person shall be conclusive and binding for all

purposes except in the case of manifest error) shall be treated by the Issuer and the Agents as the holder of such amount of the Securities (and the terms "**Securityholder**" and "**holder of Securities**" and related expressions shall be construed accordingly) for all purposes.

Where Product Condition 5 specifies that the governing law of the Securities is German law, the terms "**Securityholders**" and "**holders of Securities**" in the Conditions will be construed to mean those persons recognised as the legal owner of the Securities pursuant to German law.

3. Exercise Rights and Redemption

3.1. Exercise and Redemption

The Securities are exercisable on any Exercise Date. Any Security with respect to which an Exercise Notice has been delivered after 10.00 a.m. Central European Time on any day shall be deemed to have been exercised on the next following Exercise Date, if any.

The Issuer has the unconditional and irrevocable right (the "**Redemption Right**"), upon delivery of the Redemption Notice (as defined below) by the Issuer, to redeem the Securities in whole, but not in part.

"**Redemption Notice**" means the irrevocable notice given by the Issuer to the Securityholders in accordance with General Condition 4.1 that the Issuer will exercise its Redemption Right, which notice shall specify the Redemption Date.

Subject to Product Condition 3.8, the exercise by the Issuer of the Redemption Right shall not preclude Securityholders from exercising Securities on any Exercise Date up to and excluding the Redemption Date or from selling or transferring Securities which sale or transfer, as the case may be, is effective on any day up to but excluding the Redemption Date. In such case, any Exercise Notice delivered to the Principal Agent, or copied to the Clearing Agent, in each case after 10.00 a.m. Central European Time on the last Exercise Date prior to the Redemption Date shall be void.

3.2. Settlement

Each Security upon due exercise ownership entitles its holder to receive from the Issuer the Cash Settlement Amount less any Securityholder Expenses to be paid to the account specified in the relevant Exercise Notice for value on or prior to the relevant Settlement Date.

If the Issuer exercises its Redemption Right, each Security entitles its holder to receive from the Issuer the Cash Settlement Amount less any Securityholder Expenses for value on or prior to the relevant Settlement Date.

Subject as provided below, payment of the Cash Settlement Amount will be made by an Agent on behalf of the Issuer by credit or transfer to the relevant Clearing Agent for the account of the relevant Securityholder which, if an Exercise Notice is required, shall be the account specified in such Exercise Notice, such payment to be made in accordance with the rules of such Clearing Agent.

The Issuer will be discharged of its payment obligations by payment to, or to the order of, the relevant Clearing Agent in respect of the amount so paid. Each of the persons shown in the records of a Clearing Agent as the holder of a particular nominal amount of the Securities must look solely to the relevant Clearing Agent for his share of each such payment so made by the Issuer to, or to the order of, the relevant Clearing Agent.]

All payments will be subject in all cases to any fiscal or other laws and regulations applicable thereto in the place of payment and subject to the provisions of General Conditions 6.

If a payment of any amount to be paid to a Securityholder, according to the rules of the relevant Clearing Agent, cannot be made in Settlement Currency of the Security, such payment shall be made in the currency principally used by the relevant Clearing Agent for payments to securityholders holding accounts with such Clearing Agent, following a conversion of the relevant amount from the Settlement Currency, using the rate of exchange determined by the Calculation Agent by reference to such sources as the Calculation Agent may reasonably determine to be appropriate.

3.3. *General*

In the absence of gross negligence or wilful misconduct on its part, none of the Issuer, the Calculation Agent and any Agent shall have any responsibility for any errors or omissions in the calculation of any amount payable hereunder or in any other determination pursuant to the provisions hereof. The purchase and/or holding of Securities does not confer on any holder of any Securities any rights (whether in respect of voting, distributions or otherwise) in relation to the Underlying or any asset of any kind whatsoever by reference to which the Cash Settlement Amount is calculated.

3.4. *Exercise Notice*

Securities may only be exercised by the delivery of a duly completed Exercise Notice to the Principal Agent. The form of the Exercise Notice may be obtained during normal business hours from the specified office of each Agent.

An Exercise Notice shall:

- (1) specify the number of Securities being exercised;
- (2) specify the number of the account with the Clearing Agent to be debited with the Securities being exercised;
- (3) irrevocably instruct and authorise the Clearing Agent to debit on or before the Settlement Date such account with such Securities and authorise the Principal Agent to so direct the Clearing Agent on behalf of the relevant Securityholder;
- (4) specify the number of the account with the Clearing Agent to be credited with the Cash Settlement Amount less any Securityholder Expenses;
- (5) include an undertaking to pay all Securityholder Expenses and an authority to the Clearing Agent to deduct an amount in respect thereof from any Cash Settlement Amount due to such

Securityholder and/or to debit a specified account with the Clearing Agent in respect thereof and to pay such Securityholder Expenses and authorise the Principal Agent to so direct the Clearing Agent on behalf of the relevant Securityholder;

- (6) authorise the production of such notice in any applicable administrative or legal proceedings;

3.5. *Verification*

In respect of each Exercise Notice, the relevant Securityholder must provide evidence reasonably satisfactory to the Principal Agent of its holding of such Securities.

3.6. *Determinations*

Failure properly to complete and deliver an Exercise Notice may result in such notice being treated as null and void. Any determination as to whether an Exercise Notice has been properly completed and delivered shall be made by the Principal Agent and shall be conclusive and binding on the Issuer and the relevant Securityholder. Subject as set out below, any Exercise Notice so determined to be incomplete or not in proper form shall be void.

If such Exercise Notice is subsequently corrected to the satisfaction of the Principal Agent, it shall be deemed to be a new Exercise Notice submitted at the time such correction is delivered to the Principal Agent.

The Principal Agent shall use all reasonable endeavours promptly to notify the relevant Securityholder if it has determined that an Exercise Notice is incomplete or not in proper form. In the absence of gross negligence or wilful misconduct on its part, neither the Issuer nor the Principal Agent shall be liable to any person with respect to any action taken or omitted to be taken by it in connection with such determination or the notification of such determination to a Securityholder.

3.7. *Delivery of an Exercise Notice*

Delivery of an Exercise Notice shall constitute an irrevocable election by the relevant Securityholder to exercise the Securities specified and no Exercise Notice may be withdrawn after receipt by the Principal Agent as provided above. After the delivery of an Exercise Notice the Securities which are the subject of such notice may not be transferred.

3.8. *Securityholder Expenses*

In respect of each Security, all Securityholder Expenses in respect thereof shall be for the account of the relevant Securityholder and where any Cash Settlement Amount or other amount in respect of a Security is payable no payment shall be made until all Securityholder Expenses in respect thereof have been paid to the satisfaction of the Issuer or

3.9. *Exercise and Settlement Risk*

Exercise and settlement of the Securities is subject to all applicable laws, regulations and practices in force at all relevant times, and neither the Issuer nor any Agent shall incur any liability whatsoever if it is unable to effect the transactions contemplated, after using all reasonable efforts, as a result of any such laws, regulations or practices. Neither the Issuer nor

the Agents shall under any circumstances be liable for any acts or defaults of any Clearing Agent in relation to the performance of its duties in relation to the Securities.

4. Adjustment Provisions

4.1 Indices

4.1.1 Definitions:

"Affiliate" is as defined in Product Condition 1;

"Index" means (i) the or, as the case may be, each index specified in the definition of "Underlying", "Securities" or "Basket", as the case may be, in Product Condition 1 (each a **"Principal Index"**) and (ii) any index included in any Principal Index, or used for the calculation or determination of any Principal Index or any Index Constituent thereof (a **"Sub-Index"**);

"Index Constituent" means any security or other asset or reference value (other than a Sub-Index) constituting an Index at a relevant time;

"Index Sponsor" means (i) in relation to a Principal Index, the sponsor specified for such Principal Index in the definition of "Underlying", "Securities" or "Basket", as the case may be, in Product Condition 1 and (ii) in relation to a Sub-Index, the entity determined by the Calculation Agent to be principally responsible for the determination and publication of such Sub-Index, provided that, in either case all references to an Index Sponsor shall include any Successor Sponsor (as defined below);

"Reference Currency" (i) in relation to a Principal Index, is as defined in Product Condition 1 or, if not defined in Product Condition 1, is the Settlement Currency and (ii) in relation to an Index Constituent or a Sub-Index, is the currency in which the Index Constituent or Sub-Index is denominated or quoted or with which it is most closely connected, as determined by the Calculation Agent;

"Reference Level" is as defined in Product Condition 1;

"Reference Source" (i) in relation to a Principal Index, is as defined in Product Condition 1 and (ii) in relation to any Sub-Index or Index Constituent, is the reference source or reference sources determined by the Calculation Agent to be applicable to the valuation of such Sub-Index or such Index Constituent, as the case may be, for the purposes of determining the Reference Level;

"Related Exchange" means, unless otherwise defined in Product Condition 1, with respect to an Index or an Index Constituent, any exchange, trading system or quotation system on which options contracts or futures contracts on such Index or such Index Constituent are traded, as determined by the Calculation Agent;

"Relevant Country" means, each of

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- (i) any country (or any political or regulatory authority thereof) in which a Reference Currency or the Settlement Currency is the legal tender or currency and
 - (ii) any country (or any political or regulatory authority thereof) with which an Index or an Index Constituent has a material connection and, in determining what is material the Calculation Agent may, without limitation, refer to the country or countries in which the Index is calculated or published, the issuer of the Index Constituent is incorporated and/or such other factor(s) as it may deem appropriate,

all as determined by the Calculation Agent.

"Relevant Time" means, with respect to an Index or an Index Constituent, the relevant time by reference to which the relevant Index Sponsor determines the price or value of such Index or such Index Constituent for the purposes of determining the Reference Level; and

"Settlement Currency" is as defined in Product Condition 1.

4.1.2 *Market Disruption*

The Calculation Agent shall give notice as soon as practicable to the Securityholders in accordance with General Condition 4 if a Market Disruption Event has occurred on any date with respect to which the Calculation Agent would, but for the occurrence of a Market Disruption Event, have been required by the Product Conditions to determine the level of an Index.

"Market Disruption Event" means:

- (i) where the Reference Source for an Index or an Index Constituent is an exchange, a trading system or a quotation system as determined by the Calculation Agent,]

4.1.2.1 the occurrence or existence on any Trading Day at the Relevant Time for such Index or such Index Constituent or at any time during the one hour period that ends at the Relevant Time for such Index or such Index Constituent:

- (A) of any suspension of or limitation imposed on trading (whether by reason of movements in price exceeding limits permitted by any Reference Source or any Related Exchange or otherwise):

4.1.2.1.1 on any Reference Source as a whole; or

4.1.2.1.2 on any Related Exchange of any options contracts or futures

contracts on or relating to any Index or any Index Constituent; or

4.1.2.1.3 on any exchange or trading system or quotation system on which an Index Constituent is listed or quoted of such Index Constituent; or

(B) of any event that disrupts or impairs (as determined by the Calculation Agent) the ability of market participants in general to effect transactions in relation to or to obtain market values for such Index or such Index Constituent on the relevant Reference Source or to effect transactions in or obtain market values for options contracts or futures contracts on or relating to such Index or such Index Constituent on any Related Exchange; or

4.1.2.2 the closure on any Trading Day of any Reference Source or any Related Exchange prior to its Scheduled Closing Time unless such earlier closing time is announced by such Reference Source or such Related Exchange, as the case may be, at least one hour prior to (aa) the actual closing time for the regular trading session on such Reference Source or such Related Exchange on such Trading Day or, if earlier, (bb) the submission deadline (if applicable) for orders to be entered into such Reference Source or such Related Exchange system for execution at the Relevant Time on such Trading Day. A "**Scheduled Closing Time**" is the scheduled weekday closing time of the relevant Reference Source or Related Exchange, without regard to after hours or any other trading outside of the regular trading session hours; or

4.1.2.3 a general moratorium is declared in respect of banking activities in any Relevant Country;

4.1.3 *Adjustments to the Index*

The Calculation Agent shall give notice as soon as practicable to the Securityholders in accordance with General Condition 4 of any determination made by it pursuant to paragraph 4.1.3.1 or 4.1.3.2 below.

4.1.3.1 If an Index is:

4.1.3.1.1 not calculated and announced by the relevant Index Sponsor but is calculated and published by a successor sponsor (the "**Successor Sponsor**") acceptable to the Calculation Agent; or

4.1.3.1.2 replaced by a successor index using, in the determination of the Calculation Agent, the same or a substantially similar formula for and method of calculation as used in the calculation of the Index,

then in each case that Index will be deemed to be the index so calculated and announced by such Successor Sponsor or that successor index, as the case may be.

4.1.3.2 If:

4.1.3.2.1 on or prior to any date with respect to which the Calculation Agent is required by the Product Conditions to determine the level of an Index, the relevant Index Sponsor or, if applicable, the Successor Sponsor (i) makes or announces that it will make a material change in the formula for or the method of calculating that Index or in any other way materially modifies that Index (other than a modification prescribed in that formula or method to maintain that Index in the event of changes in constituent stock and capitalisation and other routine events) (an "**Index Modification**") or (ii) permanently cancels that Index (an "**Index Cancellation**") or (iii) fails to calculate and announce that Index (an "**Index Disruption**") and, in each case, Product Condition 4.1.3.1.1 or 4.1.3.1.2 does not apply,

then the Issuer may take any action described in 4.1.3.2.2 or 4.1.3.2.3 below:

4.1.3.2.2 require the Calculation Agent to determine the level of that Index on that date using, in lieu of a published level for that Index, the level for that Index as at that date as determined by the Calculation Agent in accordance with the formula for and method of calculating that Index last in effect prior to the Index Modification, Index Cancellation or Index Disruption but using only those Index Constituents that comprised that Index immediately prior to the Index Modification, Index Cancellation or Index Disruption; or

4.1.3.2.3 cancel the Securities by giving notice to Securityholders in accordance with General Condition 4. If the Securities are so cancelled, the Issuer will pay an amount to each Securityholder in respect of each Security held by such Securityholder which amount shall be the fair market value of a Security taking into account the Index Modification, Index Cancellation or Index Disruption, as the case may be, less the cost to the Issuer and/or any of its Affiliates of unwinding any underlying related hedging arrangements, all as determined by the Calculation Agent in its reasonable discretion. Payment will be made in such manner as

shall be notified to the Securityholders in accordance with General Condition 4.

Where provisions for the calculation of an Index are set out in "Information Relating to the Underlying Asset" attached hereto then, for the avoidance of doubt, all the provisions set out in such sections are an integral part of how such Index is calculated and no calculation of such Index pursuant to any such provisions (including, but not limited to, any change in any Applicable Percentage or any operation of the provisions, if any, set out therein) will constitute an Index Modification as referred to above in Product Condition 4.1.3.2.1 or necessitate any determination by the Calculation Agent pursuant to this Product Condition 4.1.3.2.]

4.1.3.3. The Calculation Agent shall, as soon as practicable after receipt of any written request to do so, advise a Securityholder of any determination made by it pursuant to this Product Condition 4 which occurs on or before the date of receipt of such request. The Calculation Agent shall make available for inspection by Securityholders copies of any such determinations.

5. Splitting

The Issuer shall have the right, exercisable in its sole discretion from time to time, to split the Securities so that each Securityholder holding one Security at the time of such split will thereafter hold a number of Securities as determined by the Issuer. Upon each split as aforesaid from time to time, the Issuer, shall give notice to the Securityholders in accordance with General Condition 4. Such notice shall be given at least 10 Business Days before any split is to be effected and give the date of such split and specify the adjusted Multiplier following such split. The Issuer shall also give notice to the Clearing Agents requesting that following any such split they amend their records accordingly. Any adjustment to the Multiplier will only be made to preserve the economic position and rights of the Securityholders after the split as compared to prior to the split.

6. Governing Law

The Securities are governed by and shall be construed in accordance with English law.

No person shall have any right to enforce any term or condition of the Securities under the Contracts (Rights of Third Parties) Act 1999, but this does not affect any right or remedy of any person which exists or is available apart from that Act.

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Deutsche Bank CROCI Euro Index

INFORMATION RELATING TO THE UNDERLYING ASSET

In the event of any inconsistency between the English language version of the text below and that translated into any other language, the English language version shall prevail.

Part 1

General Description

The Deutsche Bank CROCI Euro Index (the "**Index**") is intended to reflect the total return performance of the thirty shares in the Selection Pool having the lowest positive CROCI Economic Price Earnings Ratio. The Selection Pool consists of the shares constituting the Dow Jones EURO STOXX Large Index excluding shares the issuers of which have a Dow Jones STOXX Economic Sector Designation specified as FIN (i.e. Financials).

The CROCI (Cash Return on Capital Invested) is a highly regarded, well-known proprietary investment research discipline that makes in-depth adjustments to company financial statements in order to make the price-earnings ratio (or P/E) comparable across sectors as well as markets. CROCI identifies the best value in the market based on an "economic" P/E.

The Index and the CROCI Economic Price Earnings Ratio methodology have been developed by Deutsche Bank AG. The CROCI Valuation Group, a department of Deutsche Bank AG, London branch carries out the analysis and calculation of the CROCI Economic Price Earnings Ratios that form the basis of the Index.

The Index was constituted by the Index Sponsor on the Index Commencement Date. Details of the Index, including historic levels and its current composition, are set out in "Current Weights and Daily Index Closing Level" below. Following the initial Index constitution, the Index Sponsor has reconstituted and will reconstitute the Index on a monthly basis on each Index Reconstitution Day and determine New Index Constituents as described in "Index Selection Process" below. The shares constituting the Index will be equally weighted on each Index Reconstitution Day as described in "Index Calculation on an Index Reconstitution Day" under "Index Calculation" below but subject to the provisions in "Other Adjustments" below.

The Daily Index Closing Level will, subject as provided in "Index Calculation" and "Index Calculation in case of a Market Disruption" below, be calculated on each Trading Day by the Index Sponsor using the Trading Price and the Weight of each Index Constituent. The Index is expressed in euro.

Subject as provided in "Index Selection Process" and "Index Composition Restrictions" below, all determinations of the Index Sponsor described herein shall be made according to the terms set out herein and, save for manifest error, shall be binding on all parties.

The Index is a Deutsche Bank proprietary index and application has been made to register "Deutsche Bank CROCI Euro Index" as a trademark. No use or publication may be made of the Index without the prior written approval of Deutsche Bank AG.

The Index Sponsor is not obliged to enter into or promote transactions or investments that are linked to the Index or the Selection Pool Index or any constituents thereof.

Part 2

Risk Factors

Prior to making an investment decision in respect of any instrument or fund, the return on which is linked to the performance of the Index, prospective investors should carefully consider all of the information set out in this document, including these risk factors. The risk factors set out below are not exhaustive. There may be other risks that a prospective investor should consider that are relevant to its particular circumstances or generally.

General

When considering any investment, the return on which is linked to the performance of the Index, prospective investors should be aware that the level of the Index can go down as well as up and that the performance of the Index in any future period may not mirror its past performance.

Any investment linked or related to the Index will not necessarily be the same as an investment in the Index Constituents at that time.

Research

Deutsche Bank AG may issue research reports on securities that are, or may become, Index Constituents or other shares constituting the Selection Pool Index. These reports are entirely independent of the Index Sponsor's obligations hereunder and are written largely from an "outlook" or "performance" perspective.

Calculations and Determinations by the Index-Sponsor

The Index-Sponsor's calculations and determinations in relation to the Index shall be binding on all parties in the absence of manifest error. No party (whether the holder of any product linked to the Index or otherwise) will be entitled to proceed (and agrees to waive proceedings) against the Index-Sponsor in connection with any such calculations or determinations or any failure to make any calculations or determinations in relation to the Index. For so long as the Index Sponsor constitutes and calculates the Index and the Daily Index Closing Level, calculations and determinations by the Index Sponsor in connection with the Index will be made in reliance upon the information of various publicly available sources that the Index Sponsor has not independently verified. The Index Sponsor does not accept any liability for loss or damage of any kind arising from the use of such information in any such calculation or determination.

CROCI Valuation

The Index is an index constituted by reference to CROCI Economic Price Earnings Ratios, which are determined by the Valuation Group, a research group of the Index Sponsor for each share constituting the Selection Pool. These ratios are calculated through the application of certain research methodology applied by the CROCI Valuation Group. The definitions of the indicators used in determining the CROCI Economic Price Earnings Ratios for each share constituting the Selection Pool that are provided in Part 6 hereto are indicative of the methodology used by the CROCI Valuation Group, but should not be regarded as exhaustive explanations of the research methodology, or mathematical formulae, whereby each CROCI Economic Price Earnings Ratio is calculated.

The definitions of CROCI, Enterprise Value and Net Capital Invested are provided with reference to the methodology currently used by the CROCI Valuation Group. The Index Sponsor does not warrant or purport that this methodology will not be amended, in the discretion of the CROCI Valuation Group, as a result of improved or revised financial analytic techniques or devices. Such changes may occur during the term of the Index and any securities issued in relation to the Index.

The calculation of each CROCI Economic Price Earning Ratio is estimated by the CROCI Valuation Group by reference to publicly available information but adjusted on assumptions made by the CROCI Valuation Group that subsequently, may prove not to have been correct.

Furthermore, each CROCI Economic Price Earnings Ratio is estimated based on historical information and is no guarantee of future results.

The Index Sponsor makes no representation (implied or otherwise)

- (i) as to the performance of any Eligible Share and/or the Index; or**
- (ii) that the performance of the Index will track the performance of the Selection Pool.**

Adjustments to the Selection Pool Index and Index Calculation – change in methodology.

Investors should note carefully the provisions of the above paragraphs under “Other Adjustments” below. Pursuant to these provisions, inter alia, the Selection Pool Index may be replaced and/or other determinations and/or adjustments made as the Index Sponsor considers appropriate and the method of determining the Index and/or the Daily Index Closing Level may be changed.

Part 3

Index Selection Process

On each Selection Date, the Index Sponsor will select New Index Constituents from the Selection Pool as provided below, provided that where the sponsor of the Selection Pool Index has announced on or prior to the Selection Date (the “**Relevant Selection Date**”) that one or more of the shares constituting the Selection Pool Index will cease to be included in the Selection Pool Index with effect from a date prior to the Selection Date immediately following the Relevant Selection Date, such share or shares shall not be eligible for inclusion in the Index for the purposes of the Relevant Selection Date.

The selection procedure for the Index Constituents on each Selection Date is as follows:

- (i) The CROCI Economic Price Earnings Ratio for each Eligible Share is determined by the Index Sponsor on the basis described in the definition of CROCI Economic Price Earnings Ratio below.
- (ii) The thirty Eligible Shares with the lowest positive CROCI Economic Price Earnings Ratio are selected as Index Constituents. Where the CROCI Economic Price Earnings Ratio for any Eligible Share is the same as for any other Eligible Share or Eligible Shares, then the Eligible Share with the highest Market Capitalisation will be deemed to have the lower positive CROCI Economic Price Earnings Ratio for the purpose of selecting the New Index Constituents on the Relevant Selection Date.
- (iii) In the event that there are fewer than thirty Eligible Shares available for inclusion within the Index for the purposes of the Relevant Selection Date, then the Index Sponsor shall deem that number of shares as have been selected to be the Index until the next Selection Date.

Any reconstitution of the Index pursuant to the above will take effect immediately after the relevant Index Reconstitution Day subject as described under “Index Calculation on an Index Reconstitution Day” below.

For the avoidance of doubt, Index Constituents that, following their inclusion in the Index, are subsequently no longer included in the Selection Pool Index shall, subject to “Other Adjustments” below, remain in the Index until the next Index Reconstitution Day.

Part 4

Index Composition Restrictions

Any adjustment to the composition of the Index is subject to satisfaction of the following criterion:

If Deutsche Bank AG and/or any of its Affiliates is a holder of any share constituting the Selection Pool Index and is, or if Deutsche Bank AG and/or any of its affiliates were a holder of any share constituting the Selection Pool Index and would be, subject to any legal and/or regulatory reporting or disclosure requirements or to the imposition of any taxes, then the Index Sponsor may in its reasonable discretion exclude such share from the Selection Pool Index and thus eligibility for inclusion in the Index for as long as it deems appropriate.

The Index Sponsor shall have absolute discretion to determine whether any proposed adjustment to the composition of the Index pursuant to "Index Selection Process" above, would breach any of the Index Composition Restrictions set out above and any such determination shall be conclusive and binding on all parties (whether the holder of any product linked to the Index or otherwise). If the Index Sponsor determines that any such proposed adjustment to the composition of the Index would breach any of the Index Composition Restrictions, such proposed adjustment to the composition of the Index shall not take place.

Part 5

Index Calculation

Index Calculation

“**Daily Index Closing Level**” means, other than on an Index Reconstitution Day, the sum of the products of (a) the Weight (as defined below) for each Index Constituent and (b) the Trading Price of such Index Constituent on the relevant Trading Day. The Daily Index Closing Level is always rounded to the nearest two decimal places with 0.005 being rounded downwards.

The Daily Index Closing Level will be calculated on each Trading Day, subject as provided in “Index Calculation in case of a Market Disruption” below, provided that if the Index Sponsor determines that, in relation to any Index Constituent, no Trading Price can be determined on a Trading Day and no Market Disruption Event (as described in “Index Calculation in the case of a Market Disruption”) has occurred on that day then, subject as provided in “Index Calculation on an Index Reconstitution Day” below, no Daily Index Closing Level for such Trading Day shall be determined.

As a formula:

$$\text{Daily Index Closing Level}_t = \sum_i^n W_{i,t} \times P_{i,t}$$

where: n = number of Index Constituents in the Index
 $W_{i,t}$ = Weight of Index Constituent i on day t
 $P_{i,t}$ = Trading Price of Index Constituent i on day t

Index Calculation on an Index Reconstitution Day

The Index Sponsor will reconstitute the Index on each Index Reconstitution Day in accordance with the provisions set out in “Index Selection Process” and “Index Composition Restrictions” above.

If a Market Disruption Event occurs on an Index Reconstitution Day, the Index Sponsor shall make such determinations and/or adjustments as it considers appropriate to determine the Daily Index Closing Level and/or Trading Price of any Index Constituent affected by the Market Disruption Event on such Index Reconstitution Day by reference to the prevailing market conditions and the last available traded price of such Index Constituent or may determine that such day shall not be the Index Reconstitution Day but that such other day as the Index Sponsor shall select shall be the Index Reconstitution Day.

The Index Constituents that will replace the Index Constituents then constituting the Index (each a “**Previous Index Constituent**”) and will constitute the Index immediately after such Index Reconstitution Day are referred to as the “**New Index Constituents**” below for purposes of describing the reconstitution of the Index on such Index Reconstitution Day. The New Index Constituents will be selected on the Relevant Selection Date as described above.

The Daily Index Closing Level for such Index Reconstitution Day shall equal the sum of the products of (a) the Weight for each Previous Index Constituent and (b)

the Trading Price of such Previous Index Constituent on such Index Reconstitution Day.

At the time on an Index Reconstitution Day when the Trading Prices of the Previous Index Constituent and New Index Constituents have been published, the Index Sponsor shall reconstitute the Index in the following manner:

the Index Sponsor shall determine the Weight for each New Index Constituent as equal to the quotient of (i) the Daily Index Closing Level on such Index Reconstitution Day divided by the number of New Constituents and (ii) the Trading Price of such New Index Constituent on such Index Reconstitution Day.

Part 6

Definitions

“Applicable Percentage” means (i) 85 per cent. or, if less, (ii) 100 per cent. less such percentage, if any, as determined by the Index Sponsor from time to time to take account of any tax, duty, withholding, deduction or other charge whatsoever, including but not limited to taking into account any tax, duty, withholding, deduction or other charge that is or would be sustained or incurred by Deutsche Bank AG and/or any of its affiliates as a result of the receipt of the relevant Dividend if any of them is or were the holder of the relevant share. On the date hereof, the Applicable Percentage equals 85 per cent.;

“CROCI” means, in relation to the issuer of a share constituting the Selection Pool, the inflation adjusted, economic return on such issuer’s assets as determined by the CROCI Valuation Group as at the relevant time and for the relevant period for which it is required to be determined pursuant to the provisions hereof. For each such issuer, the economic return is determined differently from the accounting return (as determined in accordance with relevant accounting statements) and is the discount rate which, when applied to the after tax gross earnings of the issuer causes the resultant figure to be equal to the weighted average of the total economic capital of the issuer. The total economic capital is the value of the issuer’s tangible fixed assets and advertising and research and development items that are normally expensed in the profit and loss account of an issuer’s financial statements, but which the CROCI Valuation Group deems to have an economic life longer than one year and other economic assets excluded from the balance sheet, such as leased assets.

The weighted average of the total economic capital is determined by the CROCI Valuation Group according to the estimated economic life of the issuer’s assets, rather than the depreciable life of the assets determined for accounting purposes;

“CROCI Data Pool” means the financial information used by the CROCI Valuation Group for determination of the CROCI Economic Price Earnings Ratio, and which is obtained from:

- (i) published annual reports of each of the issuers of a share constituting the Selection Pool;
- (ii) interim financial information published by such issuers;
- (iii) consensus sales and earnings figures supplied by the International Broker Estimate System; and
- (iv) other publicly available financial information relating to such issuers;

“CROCI Economic Price Earnings Ratio” means, in relation to a share constituting the Selection Pool and a Selection Date, the economic price earnings ratio for such share determined by the Index Sponsor on such Selection Date as the quotient of (a) and (b) where;

(a) equals the quotient of (i) and (ii), where

(i) equals the Trailing Twelve-month Enterprise Value for such share on such Selection Date; and

(ii) equals the Trailing Twelve-month Net Capital Invested for such share on such Selection Date; and

(b) equals the Trailing Twelve-month Cash Return on Capital Invested for such share on such Selection Date.

In the event that the Index Sponsor is not able to determine the CROCI Economic Price Earnings Ratio in relation to a share and such Selection Date, then such share shall not be eligible for inclusion on the Index for such Selection Date;

“CROCI Valuation Group” means the Index Sponsor’s CROCI Investment Strategy & Valuation Group;

“Current Year CROCI” means, in relation to the issuer of a share constituting the Selection Pool and a Selection Date, the CROCI calculated as at the end of the month preceding such Selection Date and in respect of the calendar year in which such Selection Date falls;

“Current Year Debt” means, in relation to the issuer of a share constituting the Selection Pool and a Selection Date, the value of all such issuer’s debt and debt equivalents such as pension liabilities, provisioning and items such as advance payments, which may or may not be counted as debt by the issuer, calculated as at the end of the month preceding such Selection Date and in respect of the calendar year in which such Selection Date falls;

“Current Year Net Capital Invested” means in relation to the issuer of a share constituting the Selection Pool and a Selection Date, the Net Capital Invested calculated as at the end of the month preceding such Selection Date the calendar year in which such Selection Date falls;

“Dividend” means 100 per cent of the cash dividend per one share declared by the issuer of any Index Constituent (being the amount payable before deduction of any withholding or deduction for or on account of any tax which would have been made by or on behalf of the issuer in respect of the dividend, but not taking into account any associated tax credit arising under the law of the jurisdiction of the issuer) and shall not include rights issues, stock dividends or any other form of non-cash dividends or rights, all as determined by the Index Sponsor. The Dividend shall include any extraordinary or bonus dividend or other cash distribution as long as such dividend or distribution does not exceed 10 per cent of the last cum-dividend Trading Price of the relevant share, all as determined by the Index Sponsor;

“Exchange” means, in relation to an Index Constituent, the primary exchange on which such Index Constituent is listed or traded or any successor to such exchange, as determined by the Index Sponsor (each an **“Exchange”** and together, the **“Exchanges”**);

“Eligible Share” means, in relation to a Selection Date and each share constituting the Selection Pool Index (and, for the avoidance of doubt, any share which has been excluded at the relevant time from the Selection Pool Index pursuant to “Index Composition Restrictions” above, may not be an Eligible Share,) any share that has a CROCI Economic Price Earnings Ratio for such Selection Date and such ratio is higher than zero on such Selection Date (each an **“Eligible Share”**, and together, the **“Eligible Shares”**);

“Index Commencement Date” means 1 February 1996;

“Index Composition Restrictions” means “Index Composition Restrictions” as set out above;

“Index Constituent” means, subject as provided in “Other Adjustments” below, each of the shares constituting the Index from time to time;

“Index Reconstitution Day” means, in relation to a Selection Date, the third Trading Day after such Selection Date;

“Index Sponsor” means Deutsche Bank AG London or any duly appointed successor in its capacity as sponsor of the Index;

“Market Capitalisation” means, in relation to any Eligible Share and a Trading Day, the Trading Price for such share on such Trading Day multiplied by the number of outstanding ordinary shares of the issuer of such Eligible Share as reported by the relevant Exchange in respect of such Eligible Share on such Trading Day;

“Net Capital Invested” (“NCI”) means, in relation to the issuer of a share constituting the Selection Pool, an amount as determined by the CROCI Valuation Group as at the relevant time and for the relevant period for which it is required to be determined pursuant to the provisions hereof equal to the sum of the tangible fixed assets, intangible assets (such as research and development, leased assets and other depreciable intangible assets such as brands) and non-depreciable capital (such as net working capital), less accumulated depreciation, which resultant amount is then adjusted for inflation and represents the net, inflation-adjusted value of all cash spent on creating each such issuer’s asset base;

“Prior Year CROCI” means, in respect of the issuer of a share constituting the Selection Pool and a Selection Date, the CROCI calculated in respect of the calendar year immediately preceding the calendar year during which such Selection Date falls;

“Prior Year Debt” means, in relation to the issuer of a share constituting the Selection Pool and a Selection Date, the value of all such issuer’s debt and debt equivalents such as of pension liabilities, provisioning and items such as advance payments, which may or may not be counted as debt by the issuer, calculated in respect of the end of the calendar year immediately preceding the calendar year in which such Selection Date falls;

“Prior Year Net Capital Invested” means, in relation to the issuer of a share constituting the Selection Pool and a Selection Date, the Net Capital Invested, calculated in respect of the calendar year immediately preceding the calendar year in which such Selection Date falls;

“Reinvested Dividend” shall mean the Applicable Percentage multiplied by the Dividend;

“Related Exchange” means, with respect to an Index Constituent, any exchange, trading system or quotation system on which options contracts or futures contracts on such Index Constituent are traded, as determined by the Index Sponsor;

“Selection Date” means the first calendar day of each calendar month or, if such calendar day is not a day on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets settle payments in London (**“London Business Day”**), the first succeeding London Business Day (each a **“Selection Date”** and together the **“Selection Dates”**);

“**Selection Pool**” means the shares constituting the Selection Pool Index excluding shares the issuers of which have a Dow Jones STOXX Economic Sector Designation specified as FIN (i.e. Financials);

“**Selection Pool Index**” means the Dow Jones EURO STOXX Large Index (excluding any share the issuer of which is incorporated in Greece);

“**Trading Day**” means a day (or a day which but for the occurrence of a Market Disruption Event, would have been a day) on which each Exchange is open for trading other than a day on which trading on any such Exchange is scheduled to close prior to its regular week day closing time;

“**Trading Price**”, in relation to each the Index Constituent, varies according to the Exchange of the relevant Index Constituent and means (subject as provided in “De-Listing, Merger Event, Nationalisation and Insolvency” under “Other Adjustments” below), in relation to any Trading Day, the closing auction, auction, last trade or Volume Weighted Average Price (the “**VWAP**”), as the case may be, at the Relevant Time on such Trading Day determined in accordance with the rules of the relevant Exchange. The primary exchanges (each a “Primary Exchange” of the shares constituting the Selection Pool Index as of the date of this document and their relevant Trading Prices and relevant times (each a “**Relevant Time**”) are as follows:

| Primary Exchange | Relevant Time / Exchange | Trading Price | Relevant Time / Exchange | Trading Price |
|-------------------------|---------------------------------|--|---------------------------------|----------------------|
| Euronext Brussels (BE) | 17:30 CET closing auction | Italian Stock Exchange | 17:40 CET closing auction | |
| Euronext Paris (FR) | 17:30 CET closing auction | Sistema De Interconexion Bursatil Espanol (“SIBE”) | 17:35 CET closing auction | |
| Euronext Amsterdam (NL) | 17:30 CET closing auction | Vienna Stock Exchange | 17:30 CET closing auction | |
| Helsinki Stock Exchange | 17:00 CET last trade | Xetra Exchange Electronic Trading (DE) | 17:30 CET closing auction | |
| Euronext Lisbon (PT) | 17:30 CET last trade | Irish Stock Exchange (IE) | 17:30 CET closing auction | |
| London Stock Exchange | 16:30 GMT closing auction | | | |

If a share, in relation to which the Primary Exchange is different than those set out above, is in the future included in the Selection Pool Index and/or the Index, the Index Sponsor shall determine the Primary Exchange, the Trading Price and the Relevant Time for such share in such manner as it determines to be appropriate;

“Trailing Twelve-month Cash Return on Capital Invested” (“Trailing Twelve-month CROCI”) means, in relation to each issuer of a share constituting the Selection Pool and a Selection Date, the quotient of

- a) the sum of the products of
 - (i) the number of completed months in the relevant current calendar year at such Selection Date multiplied by the Current Year CROCI and
 - (ii) the number of months remaining to make up a full calendar year multiplied by the Prior Year CROCI, and
- b) 12, being the number of months in a calendar year,

which is expressed as a formula:

$$\text{Trailing 12 - month CROCI} = \frac{(M_{CY} \times \text{CROCI}_{CY}) + (M_{PY} \times \text{CROCI}_{PY})}{12}$$

Where:

M_{CY} = Number of completed months elapsed in the relevant current calendar year

CROCI_{CY} = Current Year CROCI

M_{PY} = 12 - M_{CY}

CROCI_{PY} = Prior Year CROCI

“Trailing Twelve-month Enterprise Value” (“Trailing Twelve-month EV”) means, in relation to each issuer of a share constituting the Selection Pool and a Selection Date, the sum of:

- 1) the arithmetic average of the Market Capitalisations of such issuer on each Trading Day in the calendar month preceding the month in which the Selection Date falls (such average is the **“1 Month Trailing Market Capitalisation”**),
- 2) the product of
 - (a) the quotient of the value of any other equity capital and equity equivalents (eg. options, in the money convertibles of the issuer not represented in the Market Capitalisation of the issuer) (as numerator) and the Market Capitalisation (as denominator) (both calculated as of the last Trading Day of the preceding calendar month), and
 - (b) the 1 Month Trailing Market Capitalisation,
- 3) the product of
 - (a) the quotient of the value of non-consolidated equity holdings, joint ventures and minority interests (as numerator) and the Market Capitalisation (as denominator), both as calculated as of the last Trading Day of the preceding calendar month, and
 - (b) the 1 Month Trailing Market Capitalisation, and
- 4) the sum of

- (a) the quotient of the number of completed months in the relevant current calendar year at such Selection Date multiplied by the Current Year Debt (as numerator) and 12, being the number of months in a calendar year (as denominator) and
- (b) the quotient of the number of months remaining to make up a full calendar year multiplied by the Prior Year Debt (as numerator), and 12, being the number of months in a calendar year (as denominator)

which is expressed as a formula:

Where:

$$\text{Trailing 12 - month EV} = MC_T + \left(\frac{OE \times MC_T}{MC} \right) + \left(\frac{NE \times MC_T}{MC} \right) + \left(\frac{M_{CY} \times D_{CY}}{12} \right) + \left(\frac{M_{PY} \times D_{PY}}{12} \right)$$

Where:

- D_{CY}** = Current Year Debt
- D_{PY}** = Prior Year Debt
- MC** = Market Capitalisation
- OE** = Other equity capital and equity equivalents
- NE** = Non-consolidated equity holdings, joint ventures and minority interests
- MC_T** = 1 Month Trailing Market Capitalisation
- M_{CY}** = Number of completed months elapsed in the relevant current calendar year
- M_{PY}** = 12 - M_{CY}

“Trailing Twelve-month Net Capital Invested” (“Trailing Twelve-month NCI”) means, in relation to each share constituting the Selection Pool and a Selection Date, the quotient of

- a) the sum of the products of
 - (i) the number of completed months in the relevant current calendar year at such Selection Date multiplied by the Current Year Net Capital Invested and
 - (ii) the number of months remaining to make up a full calendar year multiplied by the Prior Year Net Capital Invested, and
- b) 12, being the number of months in the calendar year,

which is expressed formulaically as:

$$\text{Trailing 12 - month NCI} = \frac{(M_{CY} \times NCI_{CY}) + (M_{PY} \times NCI_{PY})}{12}$$

Where:

- M_{CY}** = Number of completed months elapsed in the relevant

current calendar year

NCI_{CY} = Current Year Net Capital Invested

M_{PY} = 12 - M_{CY}

NCI_{PY} = Prior Year Net Capital Invested

“**Weight**” means, for each Index Constituent on a Trading Day, the number of shares, or portion of a share, as applicable, of such Index Constituent contained in the Index on such Trading Day.

In making the determinations referred to above, where an issuer of any share constituting the Selection Pool has a financial year end that does not coincide with the calendar year end, then any such financial year ending on or before 30 June of the existing calendar year shall be deemed to relate to the previous calendar year and be included in the determination of the Prior Year CROCI, the Prior Year Debt and the Prior Year Net Capital Invested, while any such issuer’s financial year that ends after 30 June, but on or before 31 December of the existing calendar year, shall be deemed to relate to the current calendar year and be included in the determination of the Current Year CROCI. Current Year Debt and Current Year Net Capital Invested, and information from the CROCI Data Pool shall be used in determining the Current Year CROCI, the Current Year Debt, the Current Year Net Capital Invested, the Prior Year CROCI, the Prior Year Debt and the Prior Year Net Capital Invested accordingly.

Part 7

Other Adjustments

Adjustment of the Weights for Dividends

At the time an Index Constituent or New Index Constituent (each a “**Stock Constituent**”, as applicable) goes ex-dividend, its Weight (each a “**Stock Weight**”, as applicable) will be increased such that it will equal the product of

- (i) the last cum-dividend Stock Weight (i.e. the number (or portion) of shares it represented on the most recent cum-dividend date) for such Stock Constituent, and
- (ii) the quotient of (a) and (b), where:
 - (a) _____ equals the last cum-dividend Trading Price of such Stock Constituent (as numerator); and
 - (b) equals (x) minus (y) (as denominator), where:
 - (x) equals the last cum-dividend Trading Price of such Stock Constituent; and
 - (y) equals the Reinvested Dividend of such Stock Constituent.

Each increased Stock Weight will be rounded to the nearest six decimal places with 0.0000005 being rounded downwards.

As a formula:

$$W_{i,t} = \left[\frac{P_{i,(t-1)}}{(P_{i,(t-1)} - D_{i,t})} \right] \times W_{i,(t-1)}$$

where:

| | | |
|---------------|---|---|
| $W_{i,t}$ | = | Stock Weight of Stock Constituent i on day t (ex-dividend date) |
| $P_{i,(t-1)}$ | = | the last cum-dividend Trading Price of Stock Constituent i on day t-1 (the most recent cum-dividend date) |
| $D_{i,t}$ | = | Reinvested Dividend of Stock Constituent i on day t (ex-dividend date) |
| $W_{i,(t-1)}$ | = | the last cum-dividend Stock Weight of Stock Constituent i on day t-1 (the most recent cum-dividend date) |

Potential Adjustment Events

Following the declaration by the issuer of a Stock Constituent (as defined under “Adjustment of the Weights for Dividends” above) of the terms of any Potential Adjustment Event, the Index Sponsor will determine whether such Potential Adjustment Event has a dilutive, concentrative or other effect on the theoretical value of the Stock Constituent and, if so, will (1) make the corresponding adjustment, if any, to the Stock Weight (as defined under “Adjustment of the Weights for Dividends” above) for such Stock Constituent and/or the formula for determining the Daily Index Closing Level and/or any of the other provisions hereof as the Index Sponsor determines appropriate to account for that dilutive,

concentrative or other effect; and (2) determine the effective date of that adjustment. The Index Sponsor may, without limitation, take into account the adjustment (if any) in respect of such Potential Adjustment Event made by a Related Exchange to options contracts or futures contracts on the relevant Stock Constituent traded on that Related Exchange when determining the appropriate adjustment.

The Stock Weight of a Stock Constituent resulting from any of the adjustments specified above will be rounded to the nearest six decimal places with 0.0000005 being rounded downwards.

As a result of the foregoing adjustments, the total number of Index Constituents comprising the Index may from time to time be more or less than thirty prior to the next Index Reconstitution Day.

“Potential Adjustment Event” means any of the following:

- (1) a subdivision, consolidation or reclassification of the relevant Stock Constituent (unless it has resulted in a Merger Event) or a free distribution or dividend of any such Stock Constituent to existing holders by way of bonus, capitalisation or similar issue;
- (2) a distribution, issue or dividend to existing holders of the relevant Stock Constituent of (1) such Stock Constituent, or (2) other share capital or securities granting the right to payment of dividends and/or the proceeds of liquidation of the issuer of a Stock Constituent equally or proportionately with such payments to holders of such Stock Constituent, or (3) share capital or other securities of another issuer as a result of a "spin-off" or other similar transaction, or (4) any other type of securities, rights or warrants or other assets, in any case for payment (in cash or in other consideration) at less than the prevailing market price as determined by the Index Sponsor;
- (3) any extraordinary or bonus dividend or other cash distribution where such dividend or distribution exceeds 10 per cent of the last cum-dividend Trading Price of the relevant Stock Constituent;
- (4) a call by the issuer of the relevant Stock Constituent in respect of such Stock Constituents that are not fully paid;
- (5) a repurchase by the issuer of a Stock Constituent or any of its affiliates of the relevant Stock Constituents whether out of profits or capital and whether the consideration for such repurchase is cash, securities or otherwise;
- (6) in respect of the issuer of a Stock Constituent, an event that results in any shareholder rights being distributed, or becoming separated from shares of common stock or other shares of the capital stock of the issuer of such Stock Constituent pursuant to a shareholder rights plan or arrangement directed against hostile takeovers that provides upon the occurrence of certain events for a distribution of preferred stock, warrants, debt instruments or stock rights at a price below their market value as determined by the Index Sponsor;
- (7) any redemption of shareholder rights referred to in (6) above; and
- (8) any other event that may have, in the opinion of the Index Sponsor, a dilutive, concentrative or other effect on the theoretical value of the relevant Stock Constituent;

provided that in calculating the dilutive, concentrative or other effect of any Potential Adjustment Event, the amount or value of the Potential Adjustment

Event shall be deemed adjusted by such amount as the Index Sponsor deems appropriate to take account of any tax, duty, withholding, deduction or other charge whatsoever, including but not limited to taking into account any tax, duty, withholding, deduction or other charge either sustained or incurred by Deutsche Bank AG and/or any of its affiliates as the holder of the relevant Stock Constituent(s) or which would be sustained or incurred by Deutsche Bank AG and/or any of its affiliates were any of them the holder of the relevant Stock Constituent(s), in each case as a result of the Potential Adjustment Event.

De-Listing, Merger Event, Nationalisation and Insolvency

If a Merger Event, Tender Offer, De-Listing, Nationalisation or Insolvency occurs in relation to a Stock Constituent and/or the relevant issuer of a Stock Constituent, as the case may be, the Index Sponsor shall determine the appropriate adjustment, if any, to be made to any one or more of the provisions hereof to account for the Merger Event, Tender Offer, De-Listing, Nationalisation or Insolvency, as the case may be, and shall determine the effective date of that adjustment. The Index Sponsor may, without limitation, take into account any adjustment in respect of the Merger Event, Tender Offer, De-Listing, Nationalisation or Insolvency made by a Related Exchange to options contracts or futures contracts on the relevant Stock Constituent traded on that Related Exchange when determining the appropriate adjustment.

If a Merger Event or Tender Offer occurs in relation to a Stock Constituent or the issuer of a Stock Constituent or if a De-Listing or a Nationalisation occurs in relation to a Stock Constituent, the Index Sponsor will determine the Merger Date or effective date (each an "**Effective Date**"), if any, for such event and the Trading Price for such Stock Constituent on the Effective Date pursuant to the next paragraph.

The Trading Price for such Stock Constituent on the Effective Date will equal the last available market price on the relevant Exchange for such Stock Constituent on the Effective Date (or, if no such market price is available on the Effective Date, the last available market price on the relevant Exchange on such date as the Index Sponsor deems appropriate) as determined by the Index Sponsor and that Trading Price will be the Trading Price for such Stock Constituent up to the end of the next Index Reconstitution Day (if any).

If Insolvency occurs in relation to the issuer of a Stock Constituent, the Stock Constituent will remain part of the Index until the next Index Reconstitution Day. As long as a market price at the Relevant Time on any Trading Day is available for such Stock Constituent on the relevant Exchange, such market price will be the Trading Price of such Stock Constituent for such Trading Day, all as determined by the Index Sponsor. If such a market price is not available for a Stock Constituent in relation to any Trading Day then the Trading Price of such Stock Constituent for such Trading Day will equal zero.

"De-Listing" means, for any Stock Constituent, the relevant Exchange announces that pursuant to the rules of such Exchange, such Stock Constituent ceases (or will cease) to be listed, traded or publicly quoted on the Exchange for any reason (other than a Merger Event or Tender Offer) and is not immediately re-listed, re-traded or re-quoted on an exchange, trading system or quotation system acceptable to the Index Sponsor.

"Insolvency" means that by reason of the voluntary or involuntary liquidation, bankruptcy, insolvency, dissolution or winding-up of or any analogous proceeding

affecting the issuer of a Stock Constituent (A) all the Stock Constituents of that issuer are required to be transferred to a trustee, liquidator or other similar official or (B) holders of the Stock Constituent of that issuer become legally prohibited from transferring them.

"Merger Date" means the closing date of a Merger Event or, where a closing date cannot be determined under the local law applicable to such Merger Event, such other date as determined by the Index Sponsor.

"Merger Event" means, in respect of any relevant Stock Constituent, any (i) reclassification or change of such Stock Constituent that results in a transfer of or an irrevocable commitment to transfer all of such Stock Constituents outstanding to another entity or person, (ii) consolidation, amalgamation, merger or binding share exchange of the issuer with or into another entity or person (other than a consolidation, amalgamation, merger or binding share exchange in which the issuer of such Stock Constituent is the continuing entity and which does not result in reclassification or change of all of such Stock Constituents outstanding), (iii) takeover offer, exchange offer, solicitation, proposal or other event by any entity or person to purchase or otherwise obtain 100 per cent. of the outstanding Stock Constituents of the issuer of such Stock Constituent that results in a transfer of or an irrevocable commitment to transfer all such Stock Constituents (other than such Stock Constituents owned or controlled by such other entity or person), or (iv) consolidation, amalgamation, merger or binding share exchange of the issuer of a Stock Constituent or its subsidiaries with or into another entity in which the issuer of a Stock Constituent is the continuing entity and which does not result in a reclassification or change of all such Stock Constituents outstanding but results in the outstanding Stock Constituents (other than Stock Constituents owned or controlled by such other entity) immediately prior to such event collectively representing less than 50 per cent. of the outstanding Stock Constituents immediately following such event.

"Nationalisation" means that all the Stock Constituents or all or substantially all of the assets of the issuer of Stock Constituent are nationalised, expropriated or are otherwise required to be transferred to any governmental agency, authority, entity or instrumentality thereof.

"Tender Offer" means a takeover offer, tender offer, exchange offer, solicitation, proposal or other event by any entity or person that results in such entity or person purchasing, or otherwise obtaining or having the right to obtain, by conversion or other means, greater than 10 per cent. and less than 100 per cent. of the outstanding voting shares of the issuer of a Stock Constituent, as determined by the Index Sponsor, based upon the making of filings with governmental or self-regulatory agencies or such other information as the Index Sponsor deems relevant.

Adjustments to the Selection Pool Index

If at any time (i) the Selection Pool Index ceases to exist or (ii) in the determination of the Index Sponsor, the sponsor of the Selection Pool Index (the **"Selection Pool Index Sponsor"**) makes a material change in the formula for or the method of calculating the Selection Pool Index or in any other way materially modifies the Selection Pool Index (other than a modification described in the formula or method of maintaining the Selection Pool Index in the event of

changes to constituent share and capitalisation and other routine events) or (iii) the Selection Pool Index Sponsor makes a manifest error (in the determination of the Index Sponsor) in the calculation and/or publication of the Selection Pool Index or any other factors relevant to the calculation of the Index or (iv) the Selection Pool Index Sponsor fails to calculate and/or publish the Selection Pool Index, then the Index Sponsor shall select a successor selection pool portfolio to replace the Selection Pool Index in its reasonable discretion. Should the Index Sponsor decide (which it shall, in its reasonable discretion, be entitled to do) that there is no reasonable replacement portfolio for the Selection Pool Index then the Index Sponsor may make such determinations and/or adjustments as it considers appropriate until such time (if any) as the Index Sponsor determines in its reasonable discretion that there is a suitable replacement portfolio.

Index Calculation - change in methodology

The application of the methodology described herein by the Index Sponsor shall be conclusive and binding. While the Index Sponsor currently employs the above described methodology to constitute and calculate the Index and the Daily Index Closing Level, no assurance can be given that market, regulatory, juridical, financial or fiscal circumstances will not arise that would, in the view of the Index Sponsor, necessitate a modification or change of such methodology and in such circumstances the Index Sponsor shall be entitled to make such modification or change. The Index Sponsor may also make modifications to the terms of the Index and the method of calculating the Daily Index Closing Level in any manner that it may deem necessary or desirable to correct any manifest error or proven error or to cure, correct or supplement any defective provision contained herein. The Index Sponsor has no obligation to inform any person about such modification or change. The Index Sponsor will make reasonable efforts to ensure that such modifications or changes will result in a methodology that is consistent with the methodology described above.

Part 8

Index Calculation in case of a Market Disruption

“**Market Disruption Event**” means:

1. the occurrence or existence on any Trading Day during the one half hour period that ends at the Relevant Time for any Index Constituent:

A) of any suspension of or limitation imposed on trading (whether by reason of movements in price exceeding limits permitted by any Exchange or any Related Exchange or otherwise):

1.1. on any Exchange as a whole; or

1.2. on any Related Exchange, of any options contracts or futures contracts on or relating to the Index or any Index Constituent; or

1.3. on any exchange or trading system or quotation system (as determined by the Index Sponsor) on which any Index Constituent is listed or quoted, of such Index Constituent; or

B) of any event that disrupts or impairs (as determined by the Index Sponsor) the ability of market participants in general to effect transactions in relation to or to obtain market values for the Index or such Index Constituent on the relevant Exchange or to effect transactions in or obtain market values for options contracts or futures contracts on or relating to the Index or such Index Constituent on any Related Exchange; or

2. the closure on any Trading Day of any Exchange or any Related Exchange prior to its Scheduled Closing Time (as defined below) unless such earlier closing time is announced by such Exchange or such Related Exchange, as the case may be, at least one hour prior to (aa) the actual closing time for the regular trading session on such Exchange or such Related Exchange on such Trading Day or, if earlier, (bb) the submission deadline (if applicable) for orders to be entered into such Exchange or such Related Exchange system for execution at the Relevant Time on such Trading Day. A “**Scheduled Closing Time**” is the scheduled weekday closing time of the relevant Exchange or Related Exchange, without regard to after hours or any other trading outside of the regular trading session hours; or

3. a general moratorium is declared in respect of banking activities in the country in which any Exchange in relation to any Index Constituent is located,

if, in the determination of the Index Sponsor, any of the foregoing is material and, in determining what is “material”, the Index Sponsor may have regard to such circumstances as it in its reasonable discretion deems appropriate.

Upon the occurrence of a Market Disruption Event, the Daily Index Closing Level shall not be calculated (subject as provided above in “Index Calculation on an Index Reconstitution Day”), provided that if the Market Disruption Event continues for a period of eight Trading Days then the Index Sponsor shall calculate the Daily Index Closing Level having regard to the then prevailing market conditions, the last reported Trading Price of each relevant Index Constituent and such other conditions that the Index Sponsor determines relevant for the calculation of the Daily Index Closing Level.

Part 9

Current Weights and Daily Index Closing Level

The Daily Index Closing Level as of 12 July 2004 equalled 3972.06. The Index was back-calculated on a hypothetical basis from 1 February 1996 to 31 January 2004.

The Index Constituents and their respective Weights at 12 July 2004 are shown below.

| Name | Weight | Country |
|------------------|---------------|----------------|
| AKZO NOBEL | 4.455497 | NETHERLANDS |
| ARCELOR | 10.50578 | FRANCE |
| AVENTIS | 2.131607 | FRANCE |
| BASF AG | 3.049362 | GERMANY |
| BAYER AG | 5.745348 | GERMANY |
| CARREFOUR | 3.453504 | FRANCE |
| CRH PLC | 7.362226 | IRELAND |
| DEUTSCHE POST NA | 7.555526 | GERMANY |
| E.ON AG | 2.230376 | GERMANY |
| ENI | 7.931265 | ITALY |
| FRANCE TELECOM | 6.364078 | FRANCE |
| HEINEKEN | 4.920923 | NETHERLANDS |
| KPN KON | 21.35045 | NETHERLANDS |
| NOKIA | 11.41145 | FINLAND |
| PEUGEOT | 2.989449 | FRANCE |
| RENAULT | 2.171826 | FRANCE |
| REPSOL YPF | 7.345883 | SPAIN |
| ROYAL DUTCH | 3.15549 | NETHERLANDS |
| RWE ST A | 3.375136 | GERMANY |
| SAINT-GOBAIN | 3.290401 | FRANCE |
| SANOFI-SYNTHELAB | 2.55546 | FRANCE |
| SCHERING AG | 2.736672 | GERMANY |
| SCHNEIDER ELECTR | 2.437805 | FRANCE |
| SIEMENS N | 2.327639 | GERMANY |
| THYSSEN KRUPP | 9.585287 | GERMANY |
| TIM | 28.65213 | ITALY |
| TOTAL | 0.834107 | FRANCE |
| TPG | 7.245365 | NETHERLANDS |
| VINCI | 1.581515 | FRANCE |
| VOLKSWAGEN AG | 3.931477 | GERMANY |

Historical Daily Index Closing Levels

| Period | High Date | Level | Low Date | Level |
|--------|------------|----------|------------|----------|
| 1997 | 03/10/1997 | 1,853.78 | 02/01/1997 | 1,249.76 |
| 1998 | 20/07/1998 | 2,641.33 | 12/01/1998 | 1,714.08 |
| 1999 | 30/12/1999 | 3,312.23 | 13/01/1999 | 2,385.35 |
| 2000 | 07/11/2000 | 3,696.49 | 13/03/2000 | 2,863.51 |
| 2001 | 18/05/2001 | 4,058.49 | 21/09/2001 | 2,877.65 |
| 2002 | 16/04/2002 | 4,058.07 | 09/10/2002 | 2,680.60 |
| 2003 | 31/12/2003 | 3,639.90 | 12/03/2003 | 2,287.41 |
| 2004 | 29/06/2004 | 4,027.43 | 07/01/2004 | 3,647.63 |
| May-03 | 30/05/2003 | 3,025.29 | 01/05/2003 | 2,880.96 |
| Jun-03 | 18/06/2003 | 3,235.45 | 03/06/2003 | 3,031.88 |
| Jul-03 | 31/07/2003 | 3,266.17 | 01/07/2003 | 3,083.75 |
| Aug-03 | 29/08/2003 | 3,418.79 | 07/08/2003 | 3,196.41 |
| Sep-03 | 03/09/2003 | 3,530.50 | 30/09/2003 | 3,219.52 |
| Oct-03 | 30/10/2003 | 3,408.54 | 02/10/2003 | 3,243.49 |
| Nov-03 | 27/11/2003 | 3,537.71 | 05/11/2003 | 3,425.47 |
| Dec-03 | 31/12/2003 | 3,639.90 | 10/12/2003 | 3,526.18 |
| Jan-04 | 28/01/2004 | 3,817.09 | 07/01/2004 | 3,647.63 |
| Feb-04 | 19/02/2004 | 3,855.96 | 05/02/2004 | 3,748.89 |
| Mar-04 | 08/03/2004 | 3,922.66 | 24/03/2004 | 3,664.87 |
| Apr-04 | 27/04/2004 | 3,999.45 | 01/04/2004 | 3,801.88 |
| May-04 | 05/05/2004 | 3,963.73 | 17/05/2004 | 3,788.09 |
| Jun-04 | 29/06/2004 | 4,027.43 | 01/06/2004 | 3,879.82 |

| Date | Daily Index Closing Level | Date | Daily Index Closing Level | Date | Daily Index Closing Level |
|------------|---------------------------|------------|---------------------------|------------|---------------------------|
| 09/06/2004 | 3959.48 | 21/06/2004 | 3987.93 | 01/07/2004 | 4012.17 |
| 10/06/2004 | 3979.23 | 22/06/2004 | 3952.94 | 02/07/2004 | 3992.56 |
| 11/06/2004 | 3983.86 | 23/06/2004 | 3966.1 | 05/07/2004 | 3991.97 |
| 14/06/2004 | 3928 | 24/06/2004 | 3999.25 | 06/07/2004 | 3971.18 |
| 15/06/2004 | 3956.12 | 25/06/2004 | 3998.32 | 07/07/2004 | 3971.24 |
| 16/06/2004 | 3978.63 | 28/06/2004 | 4019.44 | 08/07/2004 | 3982.91 |
| 17/06/2004 | 3974.51 | 29/06/2004 | 4027.43 | 09/07/2004 | 3985.82 |
| 18/06/2004 | 3990.8 | 30/06/2004 | 4019.67 | 12/07/2004 | 3972.06 |

Source: Deutsche Bank AG

The Index has been retrospectively calculated by the Index Sponsor on a hypothetical basis, using the same methodology as described above. The Index has been calculated on a live basis since 31 January 2004. All prospective investors should be aware that a retrospective calculation means that no actual investment which allowed a tracking of the performance of the Index was possible at any time during the period of the retrospective calculation and that as a result the comparison is purely hypothetical. The methodology and the strategy used for the calculation and retrospective calculation of the Index were developed with the advantage of hindsight. In reality it is not possible to invest with the advantage of hindsight and therefore this performance comparison is purely theoretical.

Further Information Relating to the Index

All calculations above are based on information obtained from various publicly available sources. The Index Sponsor has relied on these sources and not independently verified the information extracted from these sources.

The Index Sponsor, through its affiliates, maintains an internet site at the following address where further information may be available in respect of the Index: www.db-xm.com. Information on the calculation of the Index and on any change to the composition of the Index will be promptly recorded and will be made available upon written request to the Index Sponsor.

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- Sponsor, endorse, sell or promote the Index or any product related thereto.
- Recommend that any person invest in the Index or any product related thereto or any other securities.
- Have any responsibility or liability for or make any decisions about the timing, amount or pricing of Index or any product related thereto.
- Have any responsibility or liability for the administration, management or marketing of the Index or any product related thereto.
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- Neither STOXX nor Dow Jones, as the case may be, make any warranty, express or implied and disclaim any and all warranties about:
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- The accuracy or completeness of any relevant STOXX Index and its data;
- The merchantability and the fitness for a particular purpose or use of any relevant STOXX Index and any of its data;
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- Under no circumstances will STOXX or Dow Jones be liable for any lost profits or indirect, punitive, special or consequential damages or losses, even if STOXX or Dow Jones knows that they might occur.

SECTION II: GENERAL INFORMATION

GENERAL CONDITIONS

GENERAL RISK FACTORS

GENERAL TAXATION INFORMATION

GENERAL SELLING AND TRANSFER RESTRICTIONS

GENERAL INFORMATION RELATING TO THE ISSUER

These General Conditions relate to the Securities and must be read in conjunction with, and are subject to, the Product Conditions set out in Section I of this document. The Product Conditions and the General Conditions together constitute the Conditions of the Securities and will be attached to the Global Security representing the Securities.

GENERAL CONDITIONS

1. Status of the Securities

The Securities constitute unsubordinated, unsecured contractual obligations of the Issuer and rank *pari passu* in all respects with each other.

2. Early Exercise, Redemption or Termination for Extraordinary Reasons, Illegality and Force Majeure

If the Issuer determines that, for reasons beyond its control, the performance of its obligations under the Securities has become illegal or impractical in whole or in part for any reason, or the Issuer determines that, for reasons beyond its control, it is no longer legal or practical for it to maintain its hedging arrangements with respect to the Securities for any reason, the Issuer may at its discretion and without obligation deem exercised, redeem or terminate the Securities early by giving notice to the Securityholders in accordance with General Condition 4.

Should any one or more of the provisions contained in the Conditions be or become invalid, the validity of the remaining provisions shall not in any way be affected thereby.

If the Issuer exercises, redeems or terminates the Securities early, then the Issuer will, if and to the extent permitted by applicable law, pay an amount to each Securityholder in respect of each Security held by such holder equal to the fair market value of a Security notwithstanding such illegality or impracticality less the cost to the Issuer of unwinding any underlying related hedging arrangements, all as determined by the Calculation Agent in its sole and absolute discretion. Payment will be made in such manner as shall be notified to the Securityholders in accordance with General Condition 4.

3. Purchases

The Issuer may, but is not obliged to, at any time purchase Securities at any price in the open market or by tender or private agreement. Any Securities so purchased may be held or resold or surrendered for cancellation.

4. Notices

4.1. Validity

Notices to the Securityholders will be valid if delivered to the Clearing Agent(s) for communication by the Clearing Agent(s) to the Securityholders provided that so long as the Securities are listed on any stock exchange or publicly offered in any jurisdiction, any notice to the Securityholders shall be published in accordance with the rules and regulations of each such stock exchange and each such jurisdiction.

4.2. Delivery

Notices given pursuant to 4.1 above will become effective on, if delivered to the Clearing Agent(s), the third day after such delivery to the Clearing Agent or all the Clearing Agents (if more than one) or, if published (whether or not also so given), on the date of such publication, or, if published more than

once, on the date of the first such publication or, if required to be published in more than one newspaper, on the date of the first such publication in all the required newspapers.

5. Agents, Calculation Agent, Determinations and Modifications

5.1. Agents

The Issuer reserves the right at any time to vary or terminate the appointment of any Agent and to appoint additional Agents, provided that no termination of appointment of the Principal Agent shall become effective until a replacement Principal Agent shall have been appointed and provided that, if and to the extent that any of the Securities are listed on any stock exchange or publicly offered in any jurisdiction, there shall be an Agent having a specified office in each country if so required by the rules and regulations of each such stock exchange and the securities regulators in each such jurisdiction. Notice of any appointment, or termination of appointment, or any change in the specified office, of any Agent will be given to Securityholders in accordance with General Condition 4. Each Agent acts solely as agent of the Issuer and does not assume any obligation or duty to, or any relationship of agency or trust for or with, the Securityholders. Any calculations or determinations in respect of the Securities made by an Agent shall (save in the case of manifest error) be final, conclusive and binding on the Securityholders.

5.2. Calculation Agent

The Issuer shall undertake the duties of calculation agent (the “**Calculation Agent**” which expression shall include any successor calculation agent) in respect of the Securities unless the Issuer decides to appoint a successor Calculation Agent in accordance with the provisions below.

The Issuer reserves the right at any time to appoint another institution as the Calculation Agent, provided that no termination of appointment of the existing Calculation Agent shall become effective until a replacement Calculation Agent shall have been appointed. Notice of any such termination or appointment will be given to the Securityholders in accordance with General Condition 4.

The Calculation Agent (except where it is the Issuer) acts solely as agent of the Issuer and does not assume any obligation or duty to, or any relationship of agency or trust for or with, the Securityholders. Any calculations or determinations in respect of the Securities made by the Calculation Agent shall (save in the case of manifest error) be final, conclusive and binding on the Securityholders.

The Calculation Agent may, with the consent of the Issuer, delegate any of its obligations and functions to a third party as it deems appropriate.

5.3. Determinations by the Issuer

Any determination made by the Issuer pursuant to the Conditions shall (save in the case of manifest error) be final, conclusive and binding on the Securityholders.

5.4. Modifications

The Issuer may, to the extent permitted by applicable law, modify the Conditions without the consent of the Securityholders or any of them in any manner which the Issuer may deem reasonably necessary in order to maintain or preserve the intended commercial purpose of the Conditions if such modification does not materially adversely affect the interests of the

Securityholders or is of a formal, minor or technical nature or intended to correct a manifest error or to cure, correct or supplement any defective provision contained therein. Notice of any such modification will be given to the Securityholders in accordance with General Condition 4 but failure to give, or non-receipt of, such notice will not affect the validity of any such modification.

6. Taxation

In relation to each Security the relevant Securityholder shall pay all Securityholder Expenses as provided in the Product Conditions. All payments or, as the case may be, deliveries in respect of the Securities will be subject in all cases to all applicable fiscal and other laws and regulations (including, where applicable, laws requiring the deduction or withholding for, or on account of, any tax, duty or other charge whatsoever). The Issuer shall not be liable for or otherwise obliged to pay, and the relevant Securityholder shall be liable for and/or pay, any tax, duty, charge, withholding or other payment whatsoever which may arise as a result of, or in connection with, the ownership, any transfer, any payment and/or any delivery in respect of the Securities held by such Securityholder. The Issuer shall have the right, but shall not be obliged, to withhold or deduct from any amount payable or, as the case may be, any delivery due to the Securityholder such amount or portion as shall be necessary to account for or to pay any such tax, duty, charge, withholding or other payment. Each Securityholder shall indemnify the Issuer against any loss, cost or other liability whatsoever sustained or incurred by the Issuer in respect of any such tax, duty, charge, withholding or other payment as referred to above in respect of the Securities of such holder.

7. Further Issues

The Issuer shall be at liberty from time to time without the consent of Securityholders or any of them to create and issue further securities so as to be consolidated and form a single series with the Securities.

8. Substitution

8.1. Substitution of Issuer

The Issuer, or any previous substituted company, may at any time, without the consent of the Securityholders substitute for itself as principal obligor under the Securities any company (the "**Substitute**"), being any subsidiary or affiliate of the Issuer, subject to:

- 8.1.1. the obligations of the Substitute under the Securities being guaranteed by Deutsche Bank AG (unless it is the Substitute);
- 8.1.2. all actions, conditions and things required to be taken, fulfilled and done (including the obtaining of any necessary consents) to ensure that the Securities represent legal, valid and binding obligations of the Substitute having been taken, fulfilled and done and being in full force and effect;
- 8.1.3. the Issuer shall have given at least 30 days' prior notice of the date of such substitution to the Securityholders in accordance with General Condition 4.

In the event of any substitution of the Issuer, any reference in the Conditions to the Issuer shall henceforth be construed as a reference to the Substitute.

8.2. Substitution of Office

The Issuer shall have the right upon notice to Securityholders in accordance with General Condition 4 to change the office through which it is acting for the

purpose of the Securities, the date of such change to be specified in such notice provided that no change can take place prior to the giving of such notice.

9. Replacement of Securities

Should any Security be lost, stolen, mutilated, defaced or destroyed, it may be replaced at the specified office of the Principal Agent (or such other place of which notice shall have been given in accordance with General Condition 4) upon payment by the claimant of the expenses incurred in connection therewith and on such terms as to evidence and as to indemnity as the Issuer may reasonably require. Mutilated or defaced Securities must be surrendered before replacements will be issued

10. Adjustments for European Monetary Union

10.1. Redenomination

The Issuer may, without the consent of the Securityholders, on giving notice to the Securityholders in accordance with General Condition 4 elect that, with effect from the Adjustment Date specified in the notice, certain terms of the Securities shall be redenominated in euro;

The election will have effect as follows:

10.1.1. where the Settlement Currency is the National Currency Unit of a country which is participating in the third stage of European Economic and Monetary Union, whether as from 1999 or after such date, such Settlement Currency shall be deemed to be an amount of euro converted from the original Settlement Currency into euro at the Established Rate, subject to such provisions (if any) as to rounding as the Issuer may decide and as may be specified in the notice, and after the Adjustment Date, all payments in respect of the Securities will be made solely in euro as though references in the Securities to the Settlement Currency were to euro;

10.1.2. where the Conditions contain a rate of exchange or any of the Conditions are expressed in a currency (the "**Original Currency**") of a country which is participating in the third stage of European Economic and Monetary Union, whether as from 1999 or after such date, such rate of exchange and/or any other terms of the Conditions shall be deemed to be expressed in or, in the case of a rate of exchange, converted for or, as the case may be into, euro at the Established Rate; and

10.1.3. such other changes shall be made to the Conditions as the Issuer may decide to conform them to conventions then applicable to instruments expressed in euro.

10.2. Adjustment to Conditions

The Issuer may, without the consent of the Securityholders, on giving notice to the Securityholders in accordance with General Condition 4 make such adjustments to the Conditions as the Issuer may determine to be appropriate to account for the effect of the third stage of European Economic and Monetary Union pursuant to the Treaty on the Conditions.

10.3. Euro Conversion Costs, etc.

Notwithstanding Condition 10.1 and/or Condition 10.2, none of the Issuer, the Calculation Agent and any Agent shall be liable to any Securityholder or other

person for any commissions, costs, losses or expenses in relation to or resulting from the transfer of euro or any currency conversion or rounding effected in connection therewith.

10.4. *Definitions*

In this General Condition, the following expressions have the following meanings:

“Adjustment Date” means a date specified by the Issuer in the notice given to the Securityholders pursuant to this Condition which falls, if the currency is that of a country not initially participating in the third stage of European Economic and Monetary Union pursuant to the Treaty, on or after such later date as such country does so participate;

“Established Rate” means the rate for the conversion of the Original Currency (including compliance with rules relating to rounding in accordance with applicable European Community regulations) into euro established by the Council of the European Union pursuant to the first sentence of Article 123(4), formerly 109 I (4) of the Treaty;

“National Currency Unit” means the unit of the currency of a country, as those units are defined on the day before the start of the third stage of European Economic and Monetary Union or, in connection with the expansion of such third stage, to any country which has not initially participated in such third stage;

“Treaty” means the treaty establishing the European Community.

11. **Definitions**

Terms in capitals which are not defined in these General Conditions shall have the meanings ascribed to them in the Product Conditions.

GENERAL RISK FACTORS

The discussion below is of general nature and is intended to describe various risk factors associated with an investment in any securities issued under this document. What factors will be of relevance to the Securities will depend upon a number of inter-related matters including, but not limited to, the nature of the Securities and the Underlying. Prospective purchasers should carefully consider the following discussion of risks and any product specific risk factors before deciding whether to invest in the Securities. However, these risk factors do not disclose all possible risks associated with an investment in the Securities, and additional risks may arise after the date of the offering.

No investment should be made in the Securities until after careful consideration of all those factors that are relevant in relation to the Securities.

Terms and expressions defined in the Conditions shall have the same meaning when used in this discussion.

1. Introduction

An investment in the Securities involves risks. These risks may include, among others, equity market, bond market, foreign exchange, interest rate, market volatility and economic, political and regulatory risks and any combination of these and other risks. Some of these are briefly discussed below. Prospective purchasers should be experienced with respect to transactions in instruments such as the Securities and in the Underlying. Prospective purchasers should understand the risks associated with an investment in the Securities and should only reach an investment decision after careful consideration, with their legal, tax, accounting and other advisers, of (i) the suitability of an investment in the Securities in the light of their own particular financial, tax and other circumstances; (ii) the information set out in this document and (iii) the Underlying.

The Securities may decline in value and investors should be prepared to sustain a total loss of their investment in the Securities. The shorter the remaining term of the Securities is, the higher the risk might be of a decline in value of the Securities. Even where the Securities contain a form of "guaranteed return" or "money back" element, the guaranteed return or money back element may be less than the investment made by the purchaser in the Securities. An investment in the Securities should only be made after assessing the direction, timing and magnitude of potential future changes in the value of the Underlying, as the return of any such investment will depend, inter alia, upon such changes. More than one risk factor may have simultaneous effects with regard to the Securities such that the effect of a particular risk factor may not be predictable. In addition, more than one risk factor may have a compounding effect which may not be predictable. No assurance can be given as to the effect that any combination of risk factors may have on the value of the Securities.

2. Market Factors

2.1. *Return is Based on the Value of the Underlying.*

An investment in the Securities involves risk regarding the value of the Underlying. Prospective purchasers should be experienced with respect to transactions in securities with a value derived from underlying securities.

The value of the 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. Where the Underlying is a basket comprised of various assets, fluctuations in the value of any one asset

may be offset or intensified by fluctuations in the value of other assets which comprise the Underlying.

The value of the Underlying may vary over time and may increase or decrease by reference to a variety of factors which may include corporate actions, macro economic and political factors and speculation.

2.2. *The Historical Performance of the Underlying is Not an Indication of Its Future Performance*

The historical price of the Underlying does not indicate the future performance of the Underlying. Changes in the market price of the Underlying will affect the trading price of the Securities, but it is impossible to predict whether the market price of the Underlying will rise or fall.

2.3. *Exchange Rates*

An investment in the Securities may involve exchange rate risks. For example (i) the Underlying may be denominated in a currency other than that of the Settlement Currency for the Securities; (ii) the Securities may be denominated in a currency other than the currency of the purchaser's home jurisdiction; and/or (iii) the Securities may be denominated in a currency other than the currency in which a purchaser wishes to receive funds.

Exchange rates between currencies are determined by factors of supply and demand in the international currency markets which are influenced by macro economic factors, speculation and central bank and government intervention (including the imposition of currency controls and restrictions). Fluctuations in exchange rates may affect the value of the Securities.

2.4. *Interest Rates*

An investment in the Securities may involve interest rate risk in that there may be fluctuations in the currency of denomination of the Underlying and/or the Securities.

Interest rates are determined by factors of supply and demand in the international money markets which are influenced by macroeconomic factors, political factors, speculation and central bank and government intervention. Fluctuations in short term and/or long term interest rates may affect the value of the Securities. Fluctuations in interest rates of the currency in which the Securities are denominated and/or fluctuations in interest rates of the currency or currencies in which the Underlying is denominated may affect the value of the Securities.

If the Underlying is a fixed income security, the value of the Securities would be expected to be affected by interest rate fluctuations.

3. Market Volatility

Market volatility reflects the degree of instability and expected instability of the performance of the Underlying. The level of market volatility is not purely a measurement of the actual volatility, but is largely determined by the prices for instruments which offer purchasers protection against such market volatility. The prices of these instruments are determined by forces of supply and demand in the options and derivative markets generally. These forces are, themselves, affected by factors such as actual market volatility, expected volatility, macro economic factors and speculation.

4. Certain hedging considerations

Certain risks apply to purchasers that acquire the Securities for hedging purposes.

Prospective purchasers intending to purchase the Securities for the purpose of hedging their exposure to the Underlying should recognise the risks of utilising the Securities in such manner. No assurance is or can be given that the value of the Securities will correlate with movements in the value of the Underlying. Furthermore, it may not be possible to liquidate the Securities at a price which directly reflects the value of the Underlying. Therefore, it is possible that investors could suffer substantial losses in the Securities notwithstanding losses suffered with respect to investments in or exposure to the Underlying.

Hedging transactions in order to limit the risks associated with the Securities might not be successful.

5. The Securities May Be Illiquid

It is not possible to predict if and to what extent a secondary market may develop in the Securities or at what price the Securities will trade in the secondary market or whether such market will be liquid or illiquid. If so specified in this document, application has been made to list or quote the Securities on the stock exchanges specified. If the Securities are so listed or quoted, no assurance is given that any such listing or quotation will be maintained. The fact that the Securities may be so listed or quoted does not necessarily lead to greater liquidity than if they were not so listed or quoted.

If the Securities are not listed or traded on any exchange, pricing information for the Securities may be more difficult to obtain and the liquidity of the Securities may be adversely affected. The liquidity of the Securities may also be affected by restrictions on offers and sales of the Securities in some jurisdictions.

The Issuer may, but is not obliged to, at any time purchase Securities at any price in the open market or by tender or private agreement. Any Securities so purchased may be held or resold or surrendered for cancellation. Since the Issuer may be the only market-maker in the Securities, the secondary market may be limited. The more limited the secondary market is, the more difficult it may be for holders of the Securities to realise value for the Securities prior to the exercise, expiration, redemption or maturity date.

6. Deutsche Bank AG's Credit Ratings, Financial Condition and Results May Affect the Value of the Securities

Actual or anticipated changes in Deutsche Bank AG's credit ratings, financial condition or results may affect the value of the Securities.

7. The Roles of Deutsche Bank AG and Its Affiliates May Cause Conflicts of Interest

The Issuer and its affiliates may from time to time engage in transactions involving the Underlying for their proprietary accounts and for accounts under their management. Such transactions may not be for the benefit of the holders of the Securities and may have a positive or negative effect on the value of the Underlying and consequently upon the value of the Securities. In addition, the Issuer and its affiliates may from time to time act in other capacities with regard to the Securities, such as Calculation Agent, Agent and/or Index Sponsor. Furthermore, the Issuer and its affiliates may also issue other derivative instruments in respect of the Underlying and the introduction of such competing products into the marketplace may affect the value of the Securities.

The Issuer may use all or some of the proceeds received from the sale of the Securities to enter into hedging transactions, as further described under "General Information relating to the Issuer". The Issuer believes that such hedging activity will under normal circumstances not have a material impact on the value of the Securities. However, it cannot be assured that the Issuer's hedging activities will not affect such value. The value of the Securities might in particular be affected by the liquidation of all or a portion of the hedging positions (i) at or about the time of the maturity or expiration of the Securities or (ii), if the Securities provide for a knock-out or a similar feature, at the time when the price or value of the Underlying approaches the relevant price or level for the knock-out or other feature.

The Issuer may, in certain cases, act as market-maker for the Underlying, which might in particular be the case when the Issuer has also issued the Underlying. By such market-making, the Issuer will, to a large extent, itself determine the price of the Underlying, and consequently influence the value of the Securities. The prices quoted by the Issuer in its market-making function will not always correspond to the prices which would have formed without such market-making and in a liquid market.

The Issuer and its affiliates may also act as underwriter in connection with future offerings of the Underlying or may act as financial adviser to the issuer of an Underlying or in a commercial banking capacity for the issuer of an Underlying. Such activities could present conflicts of interest and may affect the value of the Securities.

The Issuer and/or its affiliates may acquire non-public information with respect to the Underlying, and neither the Issuer nor any of its affiliates undertakes to disclose any such information to any Securityholder. In addition, one or more of the Issuer's affiliates may publish research reports with respect to the Underlying

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8. Maximum Exercise Amount

If so indicated in the Conditions for any Securities that are exercisable by the holders thereof on more than a single date, the Issuer will have the option to limit the number of Securities exercisable on any date (other than the final exercise date) to the maximum number so specified and, in conjunction with such limitation, to limit the number of Securities exercisable by any person or group of persons (whether or not acting in concert) on such date. In the event that the total number of Securities being exercised on any date (other than the final exercise date) exceeds such maximum number and the Issuer has elected to limit the number of Securities exercisable on such date, a holder of Securities may not be able to exercise on such date all the Securities that it desires to exercise. In any such case, the number of Securities to be exercised on such date will be reduced until the total number of Securities exercised on such date no longer exceeds such maximum (unless the Issuer otherwise elects), such Securities being selected as specified in the Conditions. Securities tendered for exercise but not exercised on such date will be automatically exercised on the next date on which Securities may be exercised, subject to the same daily maximum limitation and delayed exercise provisions.

Prospective purchasers should review the Conditions to ascertain whether and how such provisions apply to the Securities.

9. Minimum Exercise Amount

If so indicated in the Conditions for any Securities that are exercisable by the holders thereof, a holder of such Securities must tender a specified minimum number of the Securities at any one time in order to exercise the Securities. Thus holders with fewer than the specified minimum number of such Securities will either have to sell

their Securities or purchase additional Securities, incurring transaction costs in each case, in order to realise a return on their investment, and may incur the risk that the trading price of the Securities at that time is different from, in the case of Securities settled in cash (“**Cash Settled Securities**”), the applicable Cash Settlement Amount or, in the case of Securities settled by way of physical settlement (“**Physical Settlement Securities**”), the difference between the value of the applicable underlying asset and the exercise price, in each case upon exercise.

Prospective purchasers should review the Conditions to ascertain whether and how such provisions apply to the Securities.

10. Option to Settle in Cash or by Physical Delivery

If so indicated in the Conditions, the Issuer will have the option to settle in cash or by physical settlement.

Prospective purchasers should review the Conditions to ascertain whether and how such provisions apply to the Securities.

11. Market Disruption Events

If so indicated in the Conditions, the Calculation Agent may determine that a Market Disruption Event has occurred or exists at a relevant time. Any such determination may have an affect on the value of the Securities and/or may delay settlement in respect of the Securities.

Prospective purchasers should review the Conditions to ascertain whether and how such provisions apply to the Securities and what constitutes a Market Disruption Event

12. Settlement Risk

If so indicated in the Conditions, the Calculation Agent may determine that a Settlement Disruption Event is subsisting. Any such determination may affect the value of the Securities and/or may delay settlement in respect of the Securities.

Prospective purchasers should review the Conditions to ascertain whether such provisions apply to the Securities and what constitutes a Settlement Disruption Event.

13. Time Lag After Exercise

If the Securities are Cash Settled Securities and are subject to provisions relating to exercise, then, upon their exercise, there will be a time lag between the time a holder of the Securities gives instructions to exercise and the time the applicable Cash Settlement Amount relating to such exercise is determined. Any such delay between the time of exercise and the determination of the Cash Settlement Amount will be specified in the Conditions. However, such delay could be significantly longer, particularly in the case of a delay in exercise of such Cash Settled Securities arising from, as described above, any daily maximum exercise limitation or, as described above, upon the determination by the Calculation Agent that a Market Disruption Event occurred at any relevant time. The applicable Cash Settlement Amount could decrease or increase from what it would have been but for such delay.

Prospective purchasers should review the Conditions to ascertain whether and how such provisions apply to the Securities

14. Exercise or Delivery Notice and Certifications

If the Securities are subject to provisions concerning delivery of an Exercise or Delivery Notice and such notice is received by either the Principal Agent with a copy to the relevant Clearing Agent after the latest time specified in the Conditions, it will not be deemed to be duly delivered until the next following Business Day. Such

deemed delay may in the case of Cash Settled Securities increase or decrease the Cash Settlement Amount from what it would have been but for such deemed delivery. In the case of Securities which are exercisable on one day only or only during an exercise period any Exercise Notice, if not delivered by the latest time specified in the Conditions, shall be void.

If the Securities require a Delivery Notice to be delivered before close of business in the place of receipt on the Cut-off Date, then delivery after the Cut-off Date may result in a delay in the delivery of the applicable Physical Settlement Amount.

The failure to deliver any certifications required by the Conditions could result in the loss or inability to receive amounts or deliveries otherwise due under the Securities.

Prospective purchasers should review the Conditions to ascertain whether and how such provisions apply to the Securities.

Securities not exercised in accordance with the Conditions will expire worthless.

15. Taxation

Potential purchasers and sellers of the Securities should be aware that they may be required to pay stamp taxes or other documentary charges in accordance with the laws and practices of the country where the Securities are transferred. Securityholders are subject to the provisions of General Condition 6 and payment and/or delivery of any amount due in respect of the Securities will be conditional upon the payment of any Securityholder Expenses as provided in the Product Conditions.

Potential purchasers who are in any doubt as to their tax position should consult their own independent tax advisers. In addition, potential purchasers should be aware that tax regulations and their application by the relevant taxation authorities change from time to time. Accordingly, it is not possible to predict the precise tax treatment which will apply at any given time.

16. Early Termination for Extraordinary Reasons, Illegality and Force Majeure

If the Issuer determines that, for reasons beyond its control, the performance of its obligations under the Securities has become illegal or impractical in whole or in part for any reason, or the Issuer determines that, for reasons beyond its control, it is no longer legal or practical for it to maintain its hedging arrangements with respect to the Securities for any reason, the Issuer may at its discretion and without obligation terminate early the Securities. If the Issuer terminates early the Securities, the Issuer will, if and to the extent permitted by applicable law, pay the holder of each such Security an amount determined by the Calculation Agent to be its fair market value notwithstanding the illegality or impracticality less the cost to the Issuer of unwinding any underlying related hedging arrangements.

17. Insolvency

If a bankruptcy proceeding is commenced in respect to the Issuer, the return to a Securityholder may be limited and any recovery will likely be substantially delayed.

GENERAL TAXATION INFORMATION

1. General

Purchasers and/or sellers of Securities may be required to pay stamp taxes and other charges in accordance with the laws and practices of the country of transfer in addition to the issue price or purchase price (if different) of the Securities.

Transactions involving the Securities (including purchases, transfers, exercise or non-exercise or redemption), the accrual or receipt of any interest payable on the Securities and the death of a holder of any Securities may have tax consequences for holders and potential purchasers which may depend, amongst other things, upon the tax status of the holder or potential purchaser and may relate to – amongst other taxes and duties - stamp duty, stamp duty reserve tax, income tax, corporation tax, trade tax, capital gains tax, withholding tax, solidarity surcharge and inheritance tax.

For more specific information on the tax consequences please see the appropriate Country Addendum.

General Condition 6 (Taxation) in the General Conditions should also be considered carefully by all potential purchasers of any Securities.

Potential purchasers of Securities are advised to consult their own tax advisors as to the tax consequences of transactions involving the Securities.

2. Stamp Duty and Withholding Tax in Germany

The following paragraphs, which are intended as a general guide on stamp duty and withholding tax only, are based on current legislation and German tax authority practice. They summarise certain aspects of German taxation only which may be applicable to the Securities but do not purport to be a comprehensive description of all tax considerations which may be relevant to a decision to purchase, hold, transfer or redeem the Securities. In particular, this general summary does not consider any specific facts or circumstances that may apply to a particular purchaser. Potential purchasers of the Securities who are in any doubt about their tax position on purchase, ownership, transfer or exercise or non-exercise or redemption, as the case may be, of any Security should consult their own tax advisers.

The purchase or sale of a Security is not subject to stamp, value added or similar taxes or charges in Germany, regardless of the place of issuance, execution and delivery of the Security.

Payments in respect of interest (if any) made in respect of a Security to its holder if made by an Agent having its specified office in Germany or any other financial institution in Germany or if made by the Issuer from Germany may be subject to withholding tax. For a more detailed description of the German withholding tax position the appropriate Country Addendum should be considered carefully.

3. Stamp Duty and Withholding Tax in the United Kingdom

The following paragraphs, which are intended as a general guide on stamp duty and withholding tax only, are based on current legislation and United Kingdom Inland Revenue practice. They summarise certain aspects of United Kingdom taxation only which may be applicable to the Securities but do not purport to be a comprehensive description of all tax considerations which may be relevant to a decision to purchase, hold, transfer or redeem the Securities. In particular, this general summary does not consider any specific facts or circumstances that may apply to a particular purchaser. Potential purchasers of the Securities who are in any doubt about their tax position on purchase, ownership, transfer or exercise or non-exercise or redemption, as the case may be, of any Security should consult their own tax advisers.

A purchaser of a Security may be required to pay stamp taxes and other charges in accordance with the laws and practices of the country of purchase in addition to the purchase price of such Security.

Potential purchasers of the Securities should note that the Global Security may constitute an instrument which is subject to United Kingdom stamp duty on issue by reference to the amount of the consideration paid or the value of the Security. However, the Global Security will be executed and delivered outside the United Kingdom and should not be brought into the United Kingdom save for the purposes of enforcement. So long as the Global Security is held outside the United Kingdom, it will not be necessary to pay United Kingdom stamp duty or interest or penalties in connection therewith. However, if the Global Security were brought into the United Kingdom (for example, for enforcement purposes), United Kingdom stamp duty may be required to be paid on the Global Security (subject to the availability of exemptions and reliefs). In addition, where the Global Security is executed outside the United Kingdom is subsequently brought into the United Kingdom and stamped, interest on the amount of the unpaid stamp duty will be payable in addition to the stamp duty in respect of the period from the expiry of 30 days from the date of execution of the Global Security to the date of stamping, unless the Global Security is stamped within 30 days of execution, in which case no interest is payable. No penalties are payable where the Global Security is executed outside the United Kingdom and subsequently brought into the United Kingdom and stamped, provided the Global Security is stamped within 30 days of being brought into the United Kingdom. If the Global Security is subject to United Kingdom stamp duty, it would be inadmissible in evidence in civil (as opposed to criminal) proceedings in an English court unless duly stamped.

The comments above relate to United Kingdom stamp duty on issue only.

Any interest payable on the Securities, any original issue discount in respect of the Securities and/or any proceeds on redemption or exercise of the Securities will not be subject to United Kingdom withholding tax.

GENERAL SELLING AND TRANSFER RESTRICTIONS

1. General

The distribution of this document and the offering of the Securities in certain jurisdictions may be restricted by law. Persons into whose possession this document comes are required by the Issuer to inform themselves about and to observe any such restrictions.

2. United States of America

The Securities have not been, and will not be, registered under the United States Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the “**Securities Act**”), and trading in the Securities has not been approved by the United States Commodity Futures Trading Commission (the “**CFTC**”) under the United States Commodity Exchange Act (the “**Commodity Exchange Act**”). No Securities, or interests therein, may at any time be offered, sold, resold or delivered, directly or indirectly, in the United States or to, or for the account or benefit of, any U.S. person or to others for offer, sale, resale or delivery, directly or indirectly, in the United States or to, or for the account or benefit of, any U.S. person. No Securities may be exercised or redeemed by or on behalf of a U.S. person or a person within the United States. As used herein, “**United States**” means the United States of America (including the States and the District of Columbia), its territories, its possessions and other areas subject to its jurisdiction; and “**U.S. person**” means (i) an individual who is a resident of the United States; (ii) a corporation, partnership or other entity organised in or under the laws of the United States or any political subdivision thereof or which has its principal place of business in the United States; (iii) any estate or trust which is subject to United States federal income taxation regardless of the source of its income; (iv) any trust if a court within the United States is able to exercise primary supervision over the administration of the trust and if one or more United States trustees have the authority to control all substantial decisions of the trust; (v) a pension plan for the employees, officers or principals of a corporation, partnership or other entity described in (ii) above; (vi) any entity organised principally for passive investment, 10 per cent. or more of the beneficial interests in which are held by persons described in (i) to (v) above if such entity was formed principally for the purpose of investment by such persons in a commodity pool the operator of which is exempt from certain requirements of Part 4 of the CFTC’s regulations by virtue of its participants being non-U.S. persons; or (vii) any other “U.S. person” as such term may be defined in Regulation S under the Securities Act or in regulations adopted under the Commodity Exchange Act.

GENERAL INFORMATION RELATING TO THE ISSUER

1. Incorporation, Registered Office, Issuing Branches, Objectives and Business

Deutsche Bank Aktiengesellschaft ("**Deutsche Bank AG**") originated from the reunification of Norddeutsche Bank Aktiengesellschaft, Hamburg Deutsche Bank Aktiengesellschaft West, Düsseldorf, and Süddeutsche Bank Aktiengesellschaft, Munich. Pursuant to the Law on the Regional Scope of Credit Institutions, these had been disincorporated in 1952 from Deutsche Bank founded in 1870. The merger and the name were entered in the Commercial Register of the District Court Frankfurt am Main on 2 May 1957. Deutsche Bank AG is a banking company with limited liability incorporated under the laws of the Federal Republic of Germany under registration number HRB 30 000. Deutsche Bank AG has its registered office at Taunusanlage 12, D-60325 in Frankfurt am Main, Germany.

Deutsche Bank AG is the parent company of Deutsche Bank Group, consisting of banks, capital market companies, fund management companies, a property finance company, instalment financing companies, research and consultancy companies and other domestic and foreign companies (the "**Deutsche Bank Group**"). Deutsche Bank AG maintains branches in nearly all larger towns in the Federal Republic of Germany as well as in all major cities abroad (see <http://www.cib.db.com/central/globalpresence/index.html>). As of 31 December 2003 Deutsche Bank Group had approximately 1.576 branches and offices engaged in banking and other financial business worldwide.

The objects of Deutsche Bank AG, as laid down in its Articles of Association, include the transaction of all kinds of banking business, the provision of financial and other services and the promotion of international economic relations. Deutsche Bank AG may realise these objectives itself or through subsidiaries and affiliated companies. To the extent permitted by law, Deutsche Bank AG, is entitled to transact all business and to take all steps which appear likely to promote its objectives, in particular to acquire and dispose of real estate, to establish branches at home and abroad, to acquire, administer and dispose of participations in other enterprises, and to conclude enterprise agreements.

Deutsche Bank AG London is the London branch of the Deutsche Bank AG ("**Deutsche Bank AG London**"). On 12 January 1973, Deutsche Bank AG filed in the United Kingdom the documents required pursuant to section 407 of the Companies Act 1948 to establish a place of business within Great Britain. On 14 January 1993, Deutsche Bank AG registered under Schedule 21A to the Companies Act 1985 as having established a branch (Registration No. BR000005) in England and Wales.

Deutsche Bank AG New York is the New York branch of Deutsche Bank AG and operates pursuant to license issued by the Superintendent of Banks of the State of New York on July 14, 1978.

2. Share Capital

As of 30 June 2004, the issued share capital of Deutsche Bank AG amounts to euro 1,489,546,869.76 consisting of 581,854,246 ordinary shares of no par-value. These shares are fully paid up and in registered form. The shares are listed for trading and official quotation on all of the German stock exchanges as well as the stock exchanges of Amsterdam, Brussels, London, Luxembourg, New York, Paris, Tokyo, Vienna and Zurich.

The issued share capital will be reduced by cancelation of 38,000,000 shares due to the share buy-back program of Deutsche Bank. After registration of the reduction in the commercial register, which is expected to take place in August 2004, the share capital will consist of 543,854,246 ordinary shares.

3. Capitalisation of Deutsche Bank Group

As of 31 December 2003, Deutsche Bank Group had total assets of euro 803.6 billion, total liabilities of euro 775.4 billion and shareholders' equity of euro 28.2 billion.

4. Management

In accordance with German law, Deutsche Bank AG has both a **Supervisory Board** (*Aufsichtsrat*) and a **Board of Managing Directors** (*Vorstand*). These Boards are separate; no individual may be a member of both. The Supervisory Board appoints the members of the Board of Managing Directors and supervises the activities of the Board. The Board of Managing Directors represents Deutsche Bank AG and is responsible for its management.

The **Board of Managing Directors** consists of

| | |
|---------------------------|--|
| Dr. Josef Ackermann | Spokesman of the Board |
| Dr. Clemens Börsig | Chief Financial Officer (CFO) and Chief Risk Officer (CRO) |
| Dr. Tessen von Heydebreck | Chief Administrative Officer (CAO) |
| Hermann-Josef Lamberti | Chief Operating Officer (COO) |

The **Supervisory Board** consists of the following 20 members:

| | |
|------------------------------------|--|
| Dr. Rolf-E. Breuer | Chairman, Frankfurt am Main |
| Heidrun Förster* | Deputy Chairperson, Deutsche Bank Privat- und Geschäftskunden AG, Berlin |
| Dr. rer. oec. Karl-Hermann Baumann | Chairman of the Supervisory Board of Siemens Aktiengesellschaft, Munich |
| Dr. Ulrich Cartellieri | Frankfurt am Main |
| Klaus Funk* | Deutsche Bank Privat- und Geschäftskunden AG, Frankfurt am Main |
| Ulrich Hartmann | Chairman of the Supervisory Board of E.ON AG, Duesseldorf |
| Sabine Horn* | Deutsche Bank AG, Frankfurt am Main |
| Rolf Hunck* | Deutsche Bank AG, Hamburg |
| Sir Peter Job | London |
| Prof. Dr. Henning Kagermann | Co-Chairman and CEO of SAP AG, Walldorf/Baden |
| Ulrich Kaufmann* | Deutsche Bank AG, Düsseldorf |

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| Henriette Mark* | Deutsche Bank AG, Munich |
| Margret Mönig-Raane* | Vice President of Unified Services Union, Berlin |
| Dr. Michael Otto | Chairman of the Board of Management of Otto (GmbH & Co. KG), Hamburg |
| Gabriele Platscher* | Deutsche Bank Privat- und Geschäftskunden AG, Braunschweig |
| Karin Ruck* | Deutsche Bank, Bad Soden im Taunus |
| Tilman Todenhöfer | Deputy Chairman of the Board of Management of Robert Bosch GmbH, Stuttgart |
| Dipl.-Ing. Dr.-Ing. E. h. Jürgen Weber | Chairman of the Supervisory Board of Deutsche Lufthansa AG, Hamburg |
| Dipl.-Ing. Albrecht Woeste | Chairman of the Supervisory Board and the Shareholders' Committee of Henkel KGaA, Düsseldorf |
| Leo Wunderlich* | Deutsche Bank AG, Mannheim |

*elected by the staff

The members of the Board of Managing Directors accept membership on the Supervisory Boards of other corporations within the limits prescribed by law.

The business address of each member of the Board of Managing Directors of Deutsche Bank AG is Taunusanlage 12, 60325 Frankfurt am Main, Germany.

5. Financial Year

The financial year of Deutsche Bank AG is the calendar year.

6. Independent Auditors

The independent auditors of Deutsche Bank AG are KPMG Deutsche Treuhand-Gesellschaft Aktiengesellschaft Wirtschaftsprüfungsgesellschaft ("KPMG"), Marie-Curie-Strasse 30, 60439 Frankfurt am Main, Germany. KPMG audited Deutsche Bank AG's annual financial statements for the years ending on 31 December 2001, 2002 and 2003, which were prepared in accordance with the German Commercial Code ("HGB"). In accordance with Section 292a HGB the consolidated financial statements of Deutsche Bank AG for the years ending 31 December 2001, December 2002 and 31 December 2003 were prepared in accordance with the United States generally accepted accounting principles U.S. GAAP and audited by KPMG. In each case an unqualified auditor's certificate has been provided.

7. Authorisation

The issue of the Securities has been duly authorised by the Issuer pursuant to its constitutive documents.

8. Use of Proceeds

The Issuer intends to apply the net proceeds from the issue of the Securities for its general corporate purposes. A substantial portion of the proceeds from the issue of

the Securities may be used to hedge market risk with respect to the Securities as more described fully in “**9. Hedging Activities.**”

9. Hedging Activities

The Issuer may use all or some of the proceeds received from the sale of the Securities to purchase or maintain positions in the assets that are used to determine the relevant Underlying. The Issuer may also purchase or maintain positions in options, futures contracts, forward contracts or swaps, or options on such securities, or other derivative or similar instruments relating to the relevant underlying asset or the securities underlying the underlying asset. The Issuer may also use the proceeds to pay the cost and expenses of hedging any currency, interest rate or other Underlying-related risk relating to such Securities.

The Issuer expects that it or one or more of its affiliates will increase or decrease their initial hedging position over time using techniques which help evaluate the size of any hedge based upon a variety of factors affecting the value of the underlying instrument. These factors may include the history of price changes in that underlying instrument and the time remaining to maturity or expiration. The Issuer or one or more of its affiliates may take long or short positions in the underlying asset, the securities underlying the underlying asset, options, futures contracts, forward contracts, swaps, or other derivative or similar instruments related to the underlying asset and the securities underlying the underlying asset. These other hedging activities may occur from time to time before the Securities mature and will depend on market conditions and the value of the underlying asset and the securities underlying the underlying asset.

In addition, the Issuer may purchase or otherwise acquire a long or short position in the Securities from time to time and may, in its sole discretion, hold, resell, exercise, cancel or retire such offered securities. The Issuer may also take hedging positions in other types of appropriate financial instruments that may become available in the future.

If the Issuer has a long hedge position in, options contracts in, or other derivative or similar instruments related to, the securities underlying the underlying asset or the underlying asset, the Issuer may liquidate all or a portion of its holdings at or about the time of the maturity or expiration of the Securities. The aggregate amount and type of such positions are likely to vary over time depending on future market conditions and other factors. The Issuer is able to determine profits or losses from any such position only when the position is closed out and any offsetting position or positions are taken into account.

The Issuer has no reason to believe that its hedging activity will have a material impact on the price of such options, swaps, futures contracts, options on the foregoing, or other derivative or similar instruments or on the value of the underlying asset or the securities underlying the underlying asset. However, it cannot be assured that the Issuer’s hedging activities will not affect such prices or value. The Issuer will use the remainder of the proceeds from the sale of the Securities for the general purposes described under “Use of Proceeds” above.

10. Financial Information

The financial report of Deutsche Bank group and the annual financial statements and management report of Deutsche Bank AG as at 31 December 2003 are reproduced on the following pages. References therein to page numbers are to pages in that financial report and to pages in that annual financial statements and management report respectively, and not to pages in this prospectus.

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| | 2003 | 2002 |
|---|----------------------|----------------------|
| Share price high | € 66.04 | € 82.65 |
| Share price low | € 32.97 | € 35.60 |
| Dividend per share (proposed for 2003) | € 1.50 | € 1.30 |
| Basic earnings per share | € 2.44 | € 0.64 |
| Modified basic earnings per share ¹ | € 2.56 | € 5.16 |
| Return on average total shareholders' equity (RoE) | 4.7% | 1.1% |
| Adjusted return on average active shareholders' equity ^{1, 2} | 5.2% | 10.2% |
| Cost/income ratio ³ | 81.8% | 78.8% |
| | € m. | € m. |
| Total revenues | 21,268 | 26,547 |
| Provision for loan losses | 1,113 | 2,091 |
| Total noninterest expenses | 17,399 | 20,907 |
| Income before income tax expense and cumulative effect of accounting changes | 2,756 | 3,549 |
| Net income | 1,365 | 397 |
| | Dec 31, 2003 € m. | Dec 31, 2002 € m. |
| Total assets | 803,614 | 758,355 |
| Loans (before allowance for loan losses) | 148,227 | 171,620 |
| Shareholders' equity | 28,202 | 29,991 |
| BIS core capital ratio | 10.0% | 9.6% |
| | Number | Number |
| Branches | 1,576 | 1,711 |
| thereof in Germany | 845 | 936 |
| Employees (full-time equivalent) | 67,682 | 77,442 |
| thereof in Germany | 29,857 | 33,807 |
| Long-term rating | | |
| Moody's Investors Service, New York | Aa3 | Aa3 |
| Standard & Poor's, New York | AA- | AA- |
| Fitch Ratings, New York | AA- | AA- |
| <p>¹ Net income of € 1,365 million for 2003 and € 397 million for 2002 is adjusted for the reversal of 1999/2000 credits for tax rate changes of € 215 million for 2003 and € 2,817 million for 2002 and for the effect of accounting changes of € 151 million for 2003 and € 37 million for 2002.</p> <p>² We calculate this adjusted measure of our return on average total shareholders' equity to make it easier to compare us to our competitors. We refer to this adjusted measure as our "return on average active equity". However, this is not a measure of performance under U.S. GAAP and you should not compare our ratio to other companies' ratios without considering the differences in calculation of the ratios. The item for which we adjust the average shareholders' equity of € 28,940 million for 2003 and € 36,789 million for 2002 are the average unrealized net gains on securities available for sale, net of applicable tax effects of € 810 million for 2003 and € 4,842 million for 2002 and the average dividends of € 756 million for 2003 and € 701 million for 2002. The dividend is paid once a year following its approval by the general shareholders' meeting.</p> <p>³ Total noninterest expenses as a percentage of net interest revenues before provision for loan losses plus noninterest revenues.</p> | | |

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The following discussion and analysis should be read in conjunction with the consolidated financial statements and the related notes to them. Our consolidated financial statements for the years ended December 31, 2003 and 2002 have been audited by KPMG Deutsche Treuhand-Gesellschaft Aktiengesellschaft Wirtschaftsprüfungsgesellschaft that issued an unqualified opinion.

Executive Summary

In 2002 we set forth an agenda to transform the Bank that included improving the operating results of our core businesses, reducing our cost structure, reducing the overall risk assumed by the Bank, maintaining a strong capital base and optimizing the Private Clients and Asset Management (PCAM) franchise. Our results in 2003 demonstrate that we achieved, or exceeded, all goals set in that agenda.

Income before income tax expense and cumulative effect of accounting changes was € 2.8 billion in 2003 and € 3.5 billion in 2002. Net income for 2003 more than tripled to € 1.4 billion compared to € 397 million in 2002, and basic earnings per share increased 281% to € 2.44.

There are several elements of our 2003 results that we consider especially noteworthy:

- Compared to 2002, total net revenues excluding the provision for loan losses decreased by € 5.3 billion, or 20% to € 21.3 billion. However, underlying revenues of € 21.9 billion in 2003 were only € 0.9 billion, or 4%, below those of 2002. This decrease was due to the negative impact of exchange rate movements on our non-Euro-denominated revenues (especially our U.S. dollar revenues) and the deconsolidation of non-core businesses sold. Excluding these negative impacts, revenues grew largely due to the strength of our sales and trading businesses, where we are the global leader in revenues. In line with our focus on managing overall risk assumed, this is evidence of our commitment to increasing customer flow business rather than proprietary risk or illiquid positions.
- Compared to 2002, our total noninterest expenses in 2003 declined by 17% to € 17.4 billion. This was due mainly to the aforementioned exchange rate movements that had a beneficial effect on expenses and the decline in our costs resulting from the sale of non-core businesses but, with the exception of performance-related bonuses and severance, almost all cost categories declined.
- Compared to December 31, 2002, we reduced our risk-weighted assets by almost 10%, increased our Tier I capital ratio from 9.6% to 10% and were able to reduce our provision for credit losses, which includes both the provision for on- and off-balance sheet positions, by € 1.0 billion, or 50%.
- PCAM's income before taxes was € 1.2 billion in both 2003 and 2002. However adjusted for gains on sales of businesses of € 51 million in 2003 and € 511 million in 2002 and restructuring activities of € 240 million in 2002, underlying pre-tax profit would have been up 18% to € 1.1 billion. In addition, as of the end of 2003, PCAM's invested assets were € 872 billion, among the largest in the world.

As world economic conditions improve, our objective is to boost revenues in our core businesses while maintaining strict cost, capital and risk discipline. Among our specific strategic initiatives are continued investment by the Corporate and Investment Bank Group Division in high margin businesses and development of specific industry groups in the U.S. As part of the ongoing transformation of our PCAM businesses, we intend to improve our cross-selling to increase customer penetration in the Private & Business Clients Corporate Division and to benefit from selective hiring of senior relationship managers and upgrading the product mix in Asset and Wealth Management Corporate Division. In the Corporate Investments Group Division we intend to continue the process of reducing our equity and other exposures.

The following table presents our condensed consolidated statement of income for 2003 and 2002:

| in € m. | 2003 | 2002 | 2003 increase (decrease) from 2002 | |
|--|---------------|---------------|------------------------------------|-------------|
| | | | in € | in % |
| Net interest revenues | 5,847 | 7,186 | (1,339) | (19) |
| Provision for loan losses | 1,113 | 2,091 | (978) | (47) |
| Net interest revenues after provision for loan losses | 4,734 | 5,095 | (361) | (7) |
| Commissions and fee revenues | 9,332 | 10,834 | (1,502) | (14) |
| Trading revenues, net | 5,611 | 4,024 | 1,587 | 39 |
| Net gains on securities available for sale | 20 | 3,523 | (3,503) | (99) |
| Net loss from equity method investments | (422) | (887) | 465 | 52 |
| Other noninterest revenues | 880 | 1,867 | (987) | (53) |
| Total noninterest revenues | 15,421 | 19,361 | (3,940) | (20) |
| Total net revenues | 20,155 | 24,456 | (4,301) | (18) |
| Compensation and benefits | 10,495 | 11,358 | (863) | (8) |
| Goodwill impairment | 114 | 62 | 52 | 84 |
| Restructuring activities | (29) | 583 | (612) | N/M |
| Other noninterest expenses | 6,819 | 8,904 | (2,085) | (23) |
| Total noninterest expenses | 17,399 | 20,907 | (3,508) | (17) |
| Income before income tax expense and cumulative effect of accounting changes | 2,756 | 3,549 | (793) | (22) |
| Income tax expense | 1,327 | 372 | 955 | 257 |
| Reversal of 1999/2000 credits for tax rate changes | 215 | 2,817 | (2,602) | (92) |
| Income before cumulative effect of accounting changes, net of tax | 1,214 | 360 | 854 | 237 |
| Cumulative effect of accounting changes, net of tax | 151 | 37 | 114 | N/M |
| Net income | 1,365 | 397 | 968 | 244 |

N/M – Not meaningful.

Our net income included the material effects of reversing income tax credits related to 1999 and 2000 tax law changes, as described in “Effects of 1999/2000 German Tax Reform Legislation and Accounting for Income Tax” and the cumulative effect of accounting changes as described in “–Cumulative Effect of Accounting Changes”. The following table shows our net income excluding these effects:

| in € m. (except per share amounts) | 2003 | | 2002 | |
|---|--------------|-------------------|--------------|-------------------|
| | | Per Share (basic) | | Per Share (basic) |
| Net income | 1,365 | 2.44 | 397 | 0.64 |
| Reversal of 1999/2000 credits for tax rate changes | 215 | 0.39 | 2,817 | 4.58 |
| Cumulative effect of accounting changes, net of tax | (151) | (0.27) | (37) | (0.06) |
| Net income before reversal of 1999/2000 credits for tax rate changes and cumulative effect of accounting changes, net of tax | 1,429 | 2.56 | 3,177 | 5.16 |

Net income above included € 222 million in 2003 and € 3.3 billion in 2002, representing the pre-tax gains on sales of securities that generated the reversal of the 1999/2000 credits for tax rate changes above.

For further information on significant acquisitions and divestitures, see Note [3] to the consolidated financial statements.

Effects of 1999/2000 German Tax Reform Legislation and Accounting for Income Taxes

The German Tax Reform Act stipulated that profits on the sale of shareholdings in German corporations were exempt from tax beginning January 1, 2002. For our consolidated financial statements for 2000, this meant that the respective deferred tax liability formed in connection with the unrealized gains from equity securities available for sale accumulated in other comprehensive income (OCI) had to be released as a credit in the tax line of the income statement although the gains were still unrealized since the securities were not yet sold.

The release of the deferred tax liability through the income statement did not affect the offset amount in OCI. It remains fixed in the amount determined at the date of the release of the deferred tax liability until such time as the securities are sold.

The following table presents the level of unrealized gains and related effects for available for sale equity securities of DB Investor, which holds most of our industrial holdings.

| in € bn. | 2003 | 2002 | 2001 | 2000 | 1999 |
|--|--------------|--------------|------------|------------|------------|
| Market value | 6.3 | 5.3 | 14.1 | 17.5 | 21.8 |
| Cost | 4.6 | 5.0 | 5.7 | 5.6 | 5.8 |
| Unrealized gains in Other Comprehensive Income | 1.7 | 0.3 | 8.4 | 11.9 | 16.0 |
| Less: deferred tax relating to 1999 and 2000 tax rate changes in Germany | 2.8 | 2.9 | 5.5 | 6.5 | 8.6 |
| Other Comprehensive Income (Loss), net | (1.1) | (2.6) | 2.9 | 5.4 | 7.4 |

The accounting for income tax rate changes may result in significant impacts on our results of operations in periods in which we sell these securities as illustrated in 2003, 2002 and 2001 when we sold portions of our industrial holdings. The gains resulting from most of these sales were not subject to tax. However, we recognized tax expenses due to reversals of amounts fixed at the time of the change in tax rates amounting to € 215 million in 2003, € 2.8 billion in 2002 and € 995 million in 2001.

The only tax payable will be on 5% of any gain as a result of the 2004 Tax Reform Act which was enacted in December 2003. Under the Act, effective starting in 2004, corporations will effectively become subject to tax on 5% of capital gains from the disposal of foreign and domestic shareholdings irrespectively of holding percentage and holding period; losses from a shareholding disposal continue to be non-tax deductible.

Neither the initial release of the deferred tax liability nor the unrealized gains and losses from securities available for sale are included in regulatory core capital. The entire procedure is a U.S. GAAP-specific accounting requirement. We believe that the economic effects of the tax rate changes are not appropriately reflected in the individual periods up to and including the period of the sale.

For more information on this accounting method, see the respective section of our Form 20-F filed March 25, 2004.

Operating Results

You should read the following discussion and analysis in conjunction with the consolidated financial statements.

Net Interest Revenues

The following table sets forth data related to our net interest revenues:

| in € m. (except percentages) | 2003 | 2002 | 2003 increase (decrease) from 2002 | |
|---|----------------|---------|------------------------------------|------|
| | | | in € | in % |
| Total interest revenues | 27,583 | 35,781 | (8,198) | (23) |
| Total interest expenses | 21,736 | 28,595 | (6,859) | (24) |
| Net interest revenues | 5,847 | 7,186 | (1,339) | (19) |
| Average interest-earning assets ¹ | 736,046 | 781,134 | (45,088) | (6) |
| Average interest-bearing liabilities ¹ | 683,127 | 729,643 | (46,516) | (6) |
| Gross interest yield ² | 3.75% | 4.58% | (0.83) ppt | (18) |
| Gross interest rate paid ³ | 3.18% | 3.92% | (0.74) ppt | (19) |
| Net interest spread ⁴ | 0.57% | 0.66% | (0.09) ppt | (14) |
| Net interest margin ⁵ | 0.79% | 0.92% | (0.13) ppt | (14) |

ppt – percentage points

¹ Average balances for each year are calculated based upon month-end balances.

² Gross interest yield is the average interest rate earned on our average interest-earning assets.

³ Gross interest rate paid is the average interest rate we paid on our average interest-bearing liabilities.

⁴ Net interest spread is the difference between the average interest rate earned on average interest-earning assets and the average interest rate paid on average interest-bearing liabilities.

⁵ Net interest margin is net interest revenues expressed as a percentage of average interest-earning assets.

The vast majority of the decline in total interest revenues and total interest expenses was due to the overall decline in interest rates in the marketplace. In fact, the average rates we earned and paid on interest-bearing instruments decreased by 18% and 19%, respectively. The remainder of the decrease in total interest revenues and expenses was the result of lower balances of interest-bearing instruments, primarily related to the planned reduction of our loan exposure, which declined by 44% from December 31, 2002 to December 31, 2003.

The € 1.3 billion decline in net interest revenues from 2002 is attributable to a number of factors, primarily the sale or merger of businesses and assets, the decrease in our loan book as we continue to reduce our overall risk positions and the negative effect of lower interest rates on our reinvested deposit balances.

Average interest-earning assets declined by € 45 billion from 2002 to 2003. Average loans outstanding were € 166 billion in 2003, a decline of € 63 billion from 2002. A € 41 billion decline in average loans to German borrowers was due largely to the full year effect of deconsolidating the EUROHYPO business, which was deconsolidated in the third quarter of 2002. Average loans to non-German borrowers declined by € 22 billion largely as a result of de-emphasizing the traditional lending business. Average securities available for sale and other investments declined by € 22 billion, or 40%, mainly in Germany, which was attributable to sales of industrial holdings and the reduction in assets held because of the sale of most of our insurance business in 2002.

The development of our net interest revenues is also influenced to a significant extent by the accounting treatment of some of our derivatives transactions. We enter into nontrading derivative transactions as economic hedges of the interest rate risks of our nontrading assets and liabilities. Some of these derivatives qualify as hedges for accounting purposes while others do not. When derivative transactions qualify as hedges for accounting purposes, the interest arising from the derivatives appear in interest revenues and expense, where they compensate the interest flows from the assets and liabilities they are intended to hedge. When derivatives do not qualify for hedge accounting treatment, the interest flows that arose from the derivatives during any period all appear in trading revenues for that period.

Trading revenues, net

The following table sets forth data related to our trading revenues:

| in € m. | 2003 | 2002 | 2003 increase (decrease) from 2002 | |
|---|--------------|--------------|------------------------------------|-----------|
| | | | in € | in % |
| CIB – Sales & Trading (equity) | 2,491 | 513 | 1,978 | 386 |
| CIB – Sales & Trading (debt and other products) | 3,481 | 3,583 | (102) | (3) |
| Other trading revenues ¹ | (361) | (72) | (289) | N/M |
| Total trading revenues, net | 5,611 | 4,024 | 1,587 | 39 |

N/M – Not meaningful

¹ In 2003, other trading revenues included losses of € 285 million from credit default swaps used to hedge our investment-grade loan exposure.

Our trading and risk management businesses include significant activities in interest rate instruments and related derivatives. Under U.S. GAAP, interest revenues earned from trading assets (e.g., coupon and dividend income), and the costs of funding net trading positions are part of net interest revenues. Our trading activities can periodically shift revenues between trading revenues and interest revenues, depending on a variety of factors, including risk management strategies. In order to provide a more business-focused commentary, we discuss the combined net interest and trading revenues by group division and by product within the Corporate and Investment Bank, rather than by type of revenues generated.

The following table sets forth data relating to our combined net interest and trading revenues by group division and product within Corporate and Investment Bank:

| in € m. | 2003 | 2002 | 2003 increase (decrease) from 2002 | |
|--|---------------|---------------|------------------------------------|-----------|
| | | | in € | in % |
| Net interest revenues | 5,847 | 7,186 | (1,339) | (19) |
| Trading revenues, net | 5,611 | 4,024 | 1,587 | 39 |
| Total net interest and trading revenues | 11,458 | 11,210 | 248 | 2 |
| Breakdown by Group Division/CIB product ¹ | | | | |
| Sales & Trading (equity) | 2,259 | 1,151 | 1,108 | 96 |
| Sales & Trading (debt and other products) | 5,359 | 5,266 | 93 | 2 |
| Total Sales & Trading | 7,618 | 6,417 | 1,201 | 19 |
| Loan products ² | 739 | 1,443 | (704) | (49) |
| Transaction services | 802 | 1,050 | (248) | (24) |
| Remaining products ³ | (367) | (428) | 61 | 14 |
| Total Corporate and Investment Bank | 8,792 | 8,482 | 310 | 4 |
| Private Clients and Asset Management | 2,824 | 2,878 | (54) | (2) |
| Corporate Investments | (6) | (29) | 23 | 79 |
| Consolidation & Adjustments | (153) | (121) | (32) | (26) |
| Total net interest and trading revenues | 11,458 | 11,210 | 248 | 2 |

¹ Note that this breakdown reflects net interest and trading revenues only. For a discussion of the group divisions' total revenues by product please refer to "–Results of Operations by Segment".

² Includes the traditional net interest spread on loans as well as the results of credit default swaps used to hedge our investment-grade loan exposure in 2003.

³ Includes origination, advisory and other products.

Corporate and Investment Bank (CIB). Combined net interest and trading results from sales and trading products increased by € 1.2 billion with most of the increase due to trading of equities products, reflecting the improved equities markets in 2003. The net interest cost of carrying greater equities positions was more than offset by increased trading revenues from equity derivatives, convertibles, and DB Advisors. Also contributing to the comparative improvement was a material negative result from a single block trade in 2002. Results from loan products decreased by € 704 million. This decline was seen in both net interest and trading and resulted mainly from the reduced net interest earned on lower overall loan volume and negative hedge results on credit default swaps that do not qualify for hedge accounting under SFAS 133 but are used to hedge loan exposures. Results from transaction services were down by € 248 million due to lower interest earned in cash management and a decline in balances following the sale of substantial parts of our Global Securities Services business. Results from remaining products, mainly including goodwill funding costs, were € 61 million better than 2002.

Private Clients and Asset Management (PCAM). Net interest revenues were negatively affected by the sale of most of our insurance businesses and reduced deposit volumes in a low interest rate environment. Somewhat offsetting these factors was increased net interest attributable to the consolidation of entities pursuant to the implementation of FIN 46 in 2003.

The absolute amounts and variances for combined net interest and trading for Corporate Investments and Consolidation & Adjustments were not material.

Provision for Loan Losses

Our provision for loan losses consists of changes to the allowances we carry for credit losses on loans. The allowance consists of a specific loss component, which relates to specific loans, and an inherent loss component. The inherent loss component consists of a country risk allowance, an allowance for smaller-balance standardized homogeneous loans and an other inherent loss component to cover losses in our loan portfolio, which we have not otherwise identified.

Our provision for loan losses was € 1.1 billion in 2003, a 47% decline from 2002, reflecting the overall improved credit quality of our corporate loan book, as evidenced by the increase in the portion of our loans carrying an investment-grade rating. This amount was composed of both net new specific and inherent loan loss provisions. The provision for the year was primarily due to specific loan loss provisions required against a wide range of industry sectors, the two largest being Utilities and Manufacturing and Engineering.

Our provision for loan losses in 2002 was € 2.1 billion. This amount is composed of both net new specific and inherent loan loss provisions. The provision for the year was primarily due to provisions raised to address the downturn in the telecommunications industry and specific loan loss provisions reflecting the deterioration in various industry sectors represented in our German portfolio and the Americas.

For a discussion of changes to our allowance for loan losses in recent periods and our credit risk provisioning policies, procedures and experience generally, see the risk report.

Noninterest Revenues, Excluding Trading Revenues

| in € m. | 2003 | 2002 | 2003 Increase (Decrease) from 2002 | |
|--|--------------|---------------|------------------------------------|-------------|
| | | | in € | in % |
| Commissions and fee revenues ¹ | 9,332 | 10,834 | (1,502) | (14) |
| Insurance premiums | 112 | 744 | (632) | (85) |
| Net gains on securities available for sale | 20 | 3,523 | (3,503) | (99) |
| Net (loss) from equity method investments | (422) | (887) | 465 | 52 |
| Other noninterest revenues | 768 | 1,123 | (355) | (32) |
| Total noninterest revenues, excluding trading revenues | 9,810 | 15,337 | (5,527) | (36) |
| ¹ Includes | | | | |
| Commissions and fees from fiduciary activities: | | | | |
| Commissions for administration | 240 | 632 | (392) | (62) |
| Commissions for assets under management | 2,968 | 3,214 | (246) | (8) |
| Commissions for other securities business | 65 | 80 | (15) | (19) |
| Total | 3,273 | 3,926 | (653) | (17) |
| Commissions, broker's fees, mark-ups on securities underwriting and other securities activities: | | | | |
| Underwriting and advisory fees | 1,638 | 1,743 | (105) | (6) |
| Brokerage fees | 1,926 | 2,576 | (650) | (25) |
| Total | 3,564 | 4,319 | (755) | (17) |
| Fees for other customer services | 2,495 | 2,589 | (94) | (4) |
| Total commissions and fee revenues | 9,332 | 10,834 | (1,502) | (14) |

Commissions and Fee Revenues. Most of the overall 14% decline in commissions and fee revenues arose in CIB. The 17% decrease in commissions and fees from fiduciary activities was primarily a result of the sale of most of the Global Securities Services business. In addition, brokerage fees in CIB were down due to lower transaction volume in the Sales and Trading (equities) cash business, mainly in the U.S. and U.K., and a decline in advisory fees due to the reduced level of market activity. Fees for other customer services in CI decreased by approximately € 200 million after the sale of most of our North American commercial and consumer finance business in late 2002.

Insurance Premiums. Insurance premiums were negligible in 2003, declining due to the sale of most of PCAM's insurance business in Germany, Spain, Italy and Portugal in the second quarter of 2002. There was a corresponding decline in policyholder benefits and claims, included in noninterest expenses.

Net Gains on Securities Available for Sale. Most of the € 3.5 billion decline in net gains on securities available for sale was due to gains on sales from our industrial holdings portfolio by Corporate Investments in 2002. That year included a gain of € 2.6 billion from the sale of our remaining holdings in Munich Re, and gains totaling € 710 million on sales of Allianz AG and Deutsche Börse AG shares in CI. Results in 2003 included several gains in the € 30-120 million range offset by other-than-temporary impairment charges on various investments and results in 2002 included € 308 million in charges for other-than-temporary impairments.

Net (Loss) from Equity Method Investments. The largest components of our results in each year were losses in CI of € 490 million in 2003 and € 706 million in 2002 on our investment in Gerling-Konzern Versicherungs-Beteiligungs-AG. The loss in 2003 represented the complete write-off of that investment. Also contributing to the results in each year were losses on private equity investments in CI and gains on PCAM's real estate investments.

Other Noninterest Revenues. The results in 2003 included CIB's gain of € 583 million from the sale of substantial parts of the Global Securities Services business and a gain of € 55 million on the sale of most of the Passive Asset Management business by PCAM. Somewhat offsetting these gains was the decline in revenues after the sale of the fully consolidated private equity investments, Tele Columbus and Center Parcs and losses on the sale of premises, all affecting other revenues in CI. Most of the results in 2002 were due to a gain of € 502 million on the sale of most of our insurance business by PCAM and a gain of € 438 million from the deconsolidation following the merger of CI's former mortgage banking subsidiary EUROHYPO AG, together with the related contribution of part of our London-based real estate investment banking business. As a result of the application of FIN 46, 2003 included a charge of € 115 million representing the beneficial interests of investors in AWM's guaranteed value mutual funds.

Noninterest Expenses

There are several general observations worth noting concerning the level and downward trend of noninterest expenses in all divisions:

There are favorable exchange rates, entity deconsolidation, and business disposal effects.

Cost containment measures are showing positive results in all major cost categories.

The following table sets forth information on our noninterest expenses:

| in € m. | 2003 | 2002 | 2003 Increase (Decrease) from 2002 | |
|--|---------------|---------------|------------------------------------|-------------|
| | | | in € | in % |
| Compensation and benefits | 10,495 | 11,358 | (863) | (8) |
| Other noninterest expenses ¹ | 6,709 | 8,145 | (1,436) | (18) |
| Policyholder benefits and claims | 110 | 759 | (649) | (86) |
| Goodwill impairment | 114 | 62 | 52 | 84 |
| Restructuring activities | (29) | 583 | (612) | N/M |
| Total noninterest expenses | 17,399 | 20,907 | (3,508) | (17) |
| N/M – Not meaningful | | | | |
| ¹ Includes: | | | | |
| Net occupancy expense of premises | 1,251 | 1,291 | (40) | (3) |
| Furniture and equipment | 193 | 230 | (37) | (16) |
| IT costs | 1,913 | 2,188 | (275) | (13) |
| Agency and other professional service fees | 724 | 761 | (37) | (5) |
| Communication and data services | 626 | 792 | (166) | (21) |
| Other expenses | 2,002 | 2,883 | (881) | (31) |
| Total other noninterest expenses | 6,709 | 8,145 | (1,436) | (18) |

Compensation and Benefits. All divisions reported a decline in expenses in this category in comparison to 2002. Corporate Investments' compensation and benefit expenses declined by more than € 300 million due to headcount reductions related to the deconsolidation of EUROHYPO AG, the sale of the North American commercial and consumer finance business, and the divestment of much on the late-stage private equity business to former management. CIB reported a reduction of € 308 million, despite an increase in performance-related bonuses, for the reasons noted in the general observations above. The remaining decrease in compensation and benefits was attributable to PCAM, despite an increase of € 257 million in severance payments compared to 2002. Included in the declines across all divisions were lower pension expenses. Pension expense decreased due to an increase in the expected return on plan assets component of pension expense. The expected return on plan assets increased because we contributed € 3.9 billion to a segregated pension trust in December 2002 to fund the majority of the German pension plans.

Other Noninterest Expenses. There were decreases across all major expense categories due to the aforementioned reasons. The significant decline in other expenses also reflected lower provisions for litigation and off-balance sheet credit exposure as well as reduced minority interest expenses. Reductions in net occupancy expense of premises due to the aforementioned reasons were largely offset by charges for sublease losses and other costs of eliminating excess space resulting from headcount reductions and the sale of businesses.

Goodwill Impairment. The current year included a charge of € 114 million in CI following decisions relating to the private equity fee-based businesses. In 2002, the charge was related to the management buyout of the late-stage private equity business.

Restructuring Activities. This year's amount represents releases of restructuring provisions of € 29 million created in the first half of 2002 subsequent to the full implementation of the plans in CIB. In 2002, we recorded a net amount of € 583 million, which reflected restructuring initiatives in all divisions and affected approximately 4,100 staff. For further information on our restructuring activities, see Note [29] to the consolidated financial statements.

Income Tax Expense. Income tax expense in 2003 was € 1.5 billion, as compared to income tax expense of € 3.2 billion in 2002. The above difference is primarily attributable to the accounting for effects of German income tax rate changes that were enacted in 1999 and 2000, and 2003. In 2003 and 2002 there was tax expense of € 215 million and € 2.8 billion, respectively, as a result of the reversal of the deferred taxes accumulated in other comprehensive income at December 31, 2000, due to actual sales of equity securities. We expect further reversal of tax expense in future years as additional equity securities are sold. In addition, the German tax law changes in 2003 resulted in a tax expense of € 154 million. Excluding the effects of changes in German tax rates our effective tax rates were 43% in 2003 and 10% in 2002. The increase in the effective tax rate in 2003 was primarily due to an increase in non deductible write-downs on investments and a decrease of tax-exempt capital gains.

Cumulative Effect of Accounting Changes. The cumulative effect of accounting changes, net of tax, represented the effects from the implementation of the new accounting standards FIN 46 and SFAS 150 in 2003 and SFAS 141 and 142 in 2002. For further information on our cumulative effect of accounting changes, see Note [2] to the consolidated financial statements

Results of Operations by Segment

The following discussion shows the result of our business segments, the Corporate and Investment Bank Group Division, the Private Clients and Asset Management Group Division and the Corporate Investments Group Division. See Note [28] to the consolidated financial statements for information regarding

- the organizational structure,
- effects of significant acquisitions and divestitures on segmental results,
- changes in the format of our segment disclosure,
- a discussion on the framework of our management reporting systems,
- consolidated and other adjustments to the total results of operations of our business segments,
- a definition of terms that are used with respect to each segment, and
- the rationale for excluding certain items in deriving the measures.

The following tables show information regarding our business segments. The criterion for segmentation into divisions is our organizational structure as it existed at December 31, 2003. We prepared these figures in accordance with our management reporting systems.

| 2003 in € m. (except percentages) | Corporate and Investment Bank | Private Clients and Asset Management | Corporate Investments | Total Management Reporting | Consolidation & Adjustments | Total Consoli- dated |
|--|-------------------------------------|--|--------------------------|----------------------------------|--------------------------------|----------------------------|
| Net revenues² | 14,180 | 8,226 | (916) | 21,490 | (222) | 21,268 |
| Provision for loan losses | 752 | 325 | 36 | 1,113 | – | 1,113 |
| Provision for off-balance sheet positions | (45) | (3) | (2) | (50) | – | (50) |
| Total provision for credit losses | 707 | 321 | 35 | 1,063 | | |
| Operating cost base ¹ | 9,961 | 6,698 | 681 | 17,340 | | |
| Policyholder benefits and claims | – | 21 | – | 21 | 89 | 110 |
| Minority interest | 13 | 15 | (31) | (3) | – | (3) |
| Restructuring activities | (29) | – | – | (29) | – | (29) |
| Goodwill impairment | – | – | 114 | 114 | – | 114 |
| Total noninterest expenses³ | 9,946 | 6,734 | 763 | 17,442 | 7 | 17,449 |
| Income (loss) before income taxes⁴ | 3,527 | 1,172 | (1,714) | 2,984 | (228) | 2,756 |
| Add (deduct) | | | | | | |
| Net (gains)/losses from businesses sold/held for sale | (583) | (51) | 141 | (494) | | |
| Significant equity pick-ups/net (gains)/losses from investments | – | – | 938 | 938 | | |
| Net (gains)/losses on securities available for sale /industrial holdings including hedging | – | – | 184 | 184 | | |
| Net (gains)/losses on the sale of premises | – | – | 107 | 107 | | |
| Restructuring activities | (29) | – | – | (29) | | |
| Goodwill impairment | – | – | 114 | 114 | | |
| Underlying pre-tax profit (loss) | 2,914 | 1,119 | (232) | 3,802 | | |
| Cost/income ratio in % | 70 | 82 | N/M | 81 | N/M | 82 |
| Underlying cost/income ratio in % | 73 | 82 | 150 | 78 | | |
| Assets ⁵ | 681,722 | 124,606 | 18,987 | 795,818 | 7,796 | 803,614 |
| Risk-weighted positions (BIS risk positions) | 137,615 | 63,414 | 13,019 | 214,048 | 1,625 | 215,672 |
| Average active equity ⁶ | 14,258 | 7,844 | 5,236 | 27,338 | 48 | 27,386 |
| Return on average active equity in % | 25 | 15 | (33) | 11 | N/M | 10 |
| Underlying return on average active equity in % | 20 | 14 | (4) | 14 | | |
| N/M – Not meaningful | | | | | | |
| ¹ Includes: Severance payments | 258 | 393 | 20 | 671 | 31 | 702 |
| ² Net interest revenues and noninterest revenues. | | | | | | |
| ³ Excludes provision for off-balance sheet positions (reclassified to provision for credit losses). | | | | | | |
| ⁴ Before cumulative effect of accounting changes. | | | | | | |
| ⁵ The sum of corporate divisions does not necessarily equal the total of the corresponding group division because of consolidation items between corporate divisions, which are to be eliminated on the group division level. The same approach holds true for the sum of group divisions compared to Total Management Reporting. | | | | | | |
| ⁶ See Note [28] to the consolidated financial statements for a description of how average active equity is allocated to the divisions. | | | | | | |

| 2002 in € m. (except percentages) | Corporate and Investment Bank | Private Clients and Asset Management | Corporate Investments | Total Management Reporting | Consolidation & Adjustments | Total Consoli- dated |
|--|-------------------------------------|--|--------------------------|----------------------------------|--------------------------------|----------------------------|
| Net revenues² | 13,776 | 9,518 | 3,000 | 26,295 | 252 | 26,547 |
| Provision for loan losses | 1,712 | 224 | 155 | 2,091 | – | 2,091 |
| Provision for off-balance sheet positions | 31 | (1) | (11) | 18 | (1) | 17 |
| Total provision for credit losses | 1,742 | 223 | 144 | 2,110 | | |
| Operating cost base ¹ | 10,909 | 7,123 | 1,228 | 19,260 | | |
| Policyholder benefits and claims | – | 685 | – | 685 | 74 | 759 |
| Minority interest | 8 | 32 | 3 | 43 | 2 | 45 |
| Restructuring activities | 342 | 240 | 1 | 583 | – | 583 |
| Goodwill impairment | – | – | 62 | 62 | – | 62 |
| Total noninterest expenses³ | 11,259 | 8,080 | 1,293 | 20,632 | 258 | 20,890 |
| Income (loss) before income taxes⁴ | 774 | 1,215 | 1,563 | 3,553 | (4) | 3,549 |
| Add (deduct) | | | | | | |
| Net (gains)/losses from businesses sold/held for sale | – | (511) | (18) | (529) | | |
| Significant equity pick-ups/net (gains)/losses from investments | – | – | 1,197 | 1,197 | | |
| Net (gains)/losses on securities available for sale /industrial holdings including hedging | – | – | (3,659) | (3,659) | | |
| Change in measurement of other inherent loss allowance | 200 | – | – | 200 | | |
| Restructuring activities | 342 | 240 | 1 | 583 | | |
| Goodwill impairment | – | – | 62 | 62 | | |
| Underlying pre-tax profit (loss) | 1,316 | 945 | (855) | 1,406 | | |
| Cost/income ratio in % | 82 | 85 | 43 | 78 | N/M | 79 |
| Underlying cost/income ratio in % | 79 | 86 | N/M | 85 | | |
| Assets ⁵ | 642,127 | 109,394 | 26,536 | 750,238 | 8,117 | 758,355 |
| Risk-weighted positions (BIS risk positions) | 155,160 | 59,490 | 19,219 | 233,870 | 3,609 | 237,479 |
| Average active equity ⁶ | 16,871 | 7,850 | 6,522 | 31,243 | 2 | 31,245 |
| Return on average active equity in % | 5 | 15 | 24 | 11 | N/M | 11 |
| Underlying return on average active equity in % | 8 | 12 | (13) | 5 | | |
| N/M – Not meaningful | | | | | | |
| ¹ Includes: Severance payments | 260 | 136 | 19 | 416 | 55 | 471 |
| ² Net interest revenues and noninterest revenues. | | | | | | |
| ³ Excludes provision for off-balance sheet positions (reclassified to provision for credit losses). | | | | | | |
| ⁴ Before cumulative effect of accounting changes. | | | | | | |
| ⁵ The sum of corporate divisions does not necessarily equal the total of the corresponding group division because of consolidation items between corporate divisions, which are to be eliminated on the group division level. The same approach holds true for the sum of group divisions compared to Total Management Reporting. | | | | | | |
| ⁶ See Note [28] to the consolidated financial statements for a description of how average active equity is allocated to the divisions. | | | | | | |

Group Divisions

Corporate and Investment Bank Group Division

The following table sets forth the results of our Corporate and Investment Bank Group Division for the years ended December 31, 2003 and 2002, in accordance with our management reporting systems:

| in € m. (except percentages) | 2003 | 2002 | 2003 increase (decrease) from 2002 | |
|--|---------------|---------------|------------------------------------|-------------|
| | | | in € | in % |
| Sales & Trading (equity) | 3,091 | 2,473 | 618 | 25 |
| Sales & Trading (debt and other products) | 6,069 | 5,567 | 502 | 9 |
| Origination (equity) | 486 | 355 | 131 | 37 |
| Origination (debt) | 555 | 409 | 146 | 36 |
| Advisory | 470 | 528 | (58) | (11) |
| Loan products | 1,471 | 2,134 | (663) | (31) |
| Transaction services | 1,886 | 2,612 | (726) | (28) |
| Other | 152 | (302) | 454 | 150 |
| Total net revenues | 14,180 | 13,776 | 404 | 3 |
| Therein: Net interest and trading revenues | 8,792 | 8,482 | 311 | 4 |
| Provision for loan losses | 752 | 1,712 | (960) | (56) |
| Provision for off-balance sheet positions | (45) | 31 | (75) | N/M |
| Total provision for credit losses | 707 | 1,742 | (1,035) | (59) |
| Operating cost base | 9,961 | 10,909 | (948) | (9) |
| Minority interest | 13 | 8 | 5 | 61 |
| Restructuring activities | (29) | 342 | (371) | (108) |
| Goodwill impairment | – | – | – | – |
| Total noninterest expenses¹ | 9,946 | 11,259 | (1,314) | (12) |
| Therein: Severance payments | 258 | 260 | (2) | (1) |
| Income before income taxes | 3,527 | 774 | 2,752 | N/M |
| Add (deduct) | | | | |
| Net (gains)/losses from businesses sold/held for sale | (583) | – | (583) | N/M |
| Change in measurement of other inherent loss allowance | – | 200 | (200) | (100) |
| Restructuring activities | (29) | 342 | (371) | (108) |
| Goodwill impairment | – | – | – | – |
| Underlying pre-tax profit | 2,914 | 1,316 | 1,598 | 121 |
| Cost/income ratio in % | 70% | 82% | (12) ppt | (14) |
| Underlying cost/income ratio in % | 73% | 79% | (6) ppt | (7) |
| Assets | 681,722 | 642,127 | 39,595 | 6 |
| Risk-weighted positions (BIS risk positions) | 137,615 | 155,160 | (17,545) | (11) |
| Average active equity ² | 14,258 | 16,871 | (2,613) | (15) |
| Return on average active equity in % | 25% | 5% | 20 ppt | N/M |
| Underlying return on average active equity in % | 20% | 8% | 13 ppt | 162 |

ppt – percentage points N/M – Not meaningful

¹ Excludes provision for off-balance sheet positions (reclassified to provision for credit losses).

² See Note [28] to the consolidated financial statements for a description of how average active equity is allocated to the divisions.

In the following paragraphs, we discuss the contribution of the individual corporate divisions to the overall results of the Corporate and Investment Bank Group Division.

Corporate Banking & Securities Corporate Division

The following table sets forth the results of our Corporate Banking & Securities Corporate Division for the years ended December 31, 2003 and 2002, in accordance with our management reporting systems:

| in € m. (except where indicated) | 2003 | 2002 | 2003 increase (decrease) from 2002 | |
|--|---------------|---------------|------------------------------------|-------------|
| | | | in € | in % |
| Sales & Trading (equity) | 3,091 | 2,473 | 618 | 25 |
| Sales & Trading (debt and other products) | 6,069 | 5,567 | 502 | 9 |
| Origination (equity) | 486 | 355 | 131 | 37 |
| Origination (debt) | 555 | 409 | 146 | 36 |
| Advisory | 470 | 528 | (58) | (11) |
| Loan products | 1,471 | 2,134 | (663) | (31) |
| Other | (431) | (302) | (130) | (43) |
| Total net revenues | 11,710 | 11,164 | 546 | 5 |
| Provision for loan losses | 750 | 1,706 | (955) | (56) |
| Provision for off-balance sheet positions | 8 | 83 | (75) | (90) |
| Total provision for credit losses | 759 | 1,788 | (1,030) | (58) |
| Operating cost base | 8,226 | 8,710 | (484) | (6) |
| Minority interest | 13 | 8 | 5 | 61 |
| Restructuring activities | (23) | 316 | (339) | (107) |
| Goodwill impairment | - | - | - | - |
| Total noninterest expenses¹ | 8,216 | 9,034 | (818) | (9) |
| Therein: Severance payments | 192 | 242 | (50) | (21) |
| Income (loss) before income taxes | 2,735 | 342 | 2,394 | N/M |
| Add (deduct) | | | | |
| Net (gains)/losses from businesses sold/held for sale | - | - | - | - |
| Change in measurement of other inherent loss allowance | - | 200 | (200) | (100) |
| Restructuring activities | (23) | 316 | (339) | (107) |
| Goodwill impairment | - | - | - | - |
| Underlying pre-tax profit | 2,712 | 858 | 1,855 | N/M |
| Cost/income ratio in % | 70% | 81% | (11) ppt | (13) |
| Underlying cost/income ratio in % | 70% | 78% | (8) ppt | (10) |
| Assets | 693,414 | 629,975 | 63,439 | 10 |
| Risk-weighted positions (BIS risk positions) | 127,449 | 142,211 | (14,762) | (10) |
| Average active equity ² | 12,849 | 14,798 | (1,949) | (13) |
| Return on average active equity in % | 21% | 2% | 19 ppt | N/M |
| Underlying return on average active equity in % | 21% | 6% | 15 ppt | N/M |

ppt – percentage points N/M – Not meaningful

¹ Excludes provision for off-balance sheet positions (reclassified to provision for credit losses).

² See Note [28] to the consolidated financial statements for a description of how average active equity is allocated to the divisions.

Income before income taxes increased € 2.4 billion to € 2.7 billion for the year ended December 31, 2003. This increase was attributable to higher net revenues in addition to a lower provision for loan losses and lower noninterest expenses.

Net revenues of € 11.7 billion in 2003 were € 546 million higher compared to € 11.2 billion in 2002 despite the negative impact of the strength of the euro on the value of our significant revenues in other currencies and in particular the U.S. dollar.

Sales and trading revenues (debt and other products) were € 6.1 billion in 2003 compared to € 5.6 billion in 2002, an improvement of € 502 million, or 9%. Global Markets maintained its leadership position in structured businesses,

such as interest rate and credit derivatives, and securitizations. It is fast becoming a top-tier player in the U.S. bond market, complementing its leadership in Europe. Origination revenues (debt) of € 555 million increased by € 146 million particularly reflecting higher underwriting fees due to increased activity in the high-yield business.

Sales and trading revenues (equity) of € 3.1 billion increased by € 618 million compared to 2002 reflecting increased market activity and improved market sentiment. Lower trading-related net interest income and lower brokerage fees were more than offset by higher trading revenues. Trading-related revenues in 2002 included the negative effect of a single block trade. In 2003 Global Equities' higher margin businesses had an outstanding year – the convertible bond business had its best ever and Equity Derivatives continued its strong performance. Its cash business maintained the number one position in terms of market share in Europe.

Revenues from origination (equity) of € 486 million increased by € 131 million. The increase was due to losses in 2002 from the underwriting-related effect of the aforementioned single block trade. Underwriting fees declined reflecting lower activity in the first half of the year.

Advisory revenues were € 470 million, down 11% from 2002, reflecting poor volumes and the general low level of market activity in the first half of 2003.

Revenues from loan products fell in 2003 to € 1.5 billion from € 2.1 billion in 2002. The decline was due to a further strategic reduction in loan volumes, corresponding lower net interest and fee income as well as € 285 million in hedge premium costs and mark-to-market losses incurred on the use of credit default swaps to hedge elements of the loan portfolios. Over the life of the credit derivative the losses on the mark-to-market element of these transactions will tend to materially offset, leaving the cost of the hedge as the ultimate expense.

The provision for credit losses was € 759 million in 2003 compared to € 1.8 billion in 2002. In 2003, the overall improving credit quality of our loan book has led to a reduction in the required net provision.

Noninterest expenses in 2003 were € 8.2 billion, a decrease of € 818 million compared to € 9.0 billion in 2002, which included charges for restructuring activities of € 316 million for plans initiated in the first and second quarter of 2002. In 2003, € 23 million of these provisions were released subsequent to the full implementation of the plans. Excluding these restructuring activities in both years, noninterest expenses in 2003 decreased by € 479 million. This reflects the beneficial effect on expenses of the aforementioned exchange rate movements as well as the continuing benefits of our cost containment program and the emphasis on control of discretionary spending across all expense categories, which more than offset higher performance-related compensation expenses.

The cost/income ratio of 70% in 2003 showed an 11 percentage point improvement on 2002 reflecting the combined impact of the reduction in noninterest expenses and the increase in net revenues as discussed above.

Global Transaction Banking Corporate Division

The following table sets forth the results of our Global Transaction Banking Corporate Division for the years ended December 31, 2003 and 2002, in accordance with our management reporting systems:

| in € m. (except where indicated) | 2003 | 2002 | 2003 increase (decrease) from 2002 | |
|---|--------------|--------------|------------------------------------|-------------|
| | | | in € | in % |
| Net revenues | 2,469 | 2,612 | (143) | (5) |
| Provision for loan losses | 2 | 6 | (5) | (74) |
| Provision for off-balance sheet positions | (53) | (52) | (1) | (2) |
| Total provision for credit losses | (51) | (46) | (5) | (12) |
| Operating cost base | 1,735 | 2,200 | (465) | (21) |
| Minority interest | – | – | – | – |
| Restructuring activities | (6) | 26 | (32) | (122) |
| Goodwill impairment | – | – | – | – |
| Total noninterest expenses¹ | 1,729 | 2,226 | (496) | (22) |
| Therein: Severance payments | 66 | 18 | 48 | 262 |
| Income before income taxes | 791 | 433 | 359 | 83 |
| Add (deduct) | | | | |
| Net (gains)/losses from businesses sold/held for sale | (583) | – | (583) | N/M |
| Restructuring activities | (6) | 26 | (32) | (122) |
| Goodwill impairment | – | – | – | – |
| Underlying pre-tax profit | 202 | 458 | (256) | (56) |
| Cost/income ratio in % | 70% | 85% | (15) ppt | (18) |
| Underlying cost/income ratio in % | 92% | 84% | 8 ppt | 9 |
| Assets | 16,709 | 25,098 | (8,389) | (33) |
| Risk-weighted positions (BIS risk positions) | 10,166 | 12,949 | (2,783) | (21) |
| Average active equity ² | 1,409 | 2,073 | (664) | (32) |
| Return on average active equity in % | 56% | 21% | 35 ppt | 169 |
| Underlying return on average active equity in % | 14% | 22% | (8) ppt | (35) |

ppt – percentage points N/M – Not meaningful

¹ Excludes provision for off-balance sheet positions (reclassified to provision for credit losses).

² See Note [28] to the consolidated financial statements for a description of how average active equity is allocated to the divisions.

Income before income taxes increased € 358 million, or 83%, to € 791 million for the year ended December 31, 2003. During 2003, we sold a substantial part of our Global Securities Services (GSS) business to State Street Corporation generating a gain on sale of € 583 million. During 2002, the business sold contributed net revenues of approximately € 700 million with a negligible impact on income before income taxes.

Excluding the aforementioned gain on sale net revenues decreased by € 726 million mainly as a result of the absence of revenues of the disposed business. Reduced interest rate margins in Global Cash Management and lower transaction volumes, mainly in Global Trade Finance, accounted for the rest of the decline.

The provision for credit losses was a net release of € 51 million compared to a net release of € 46 million in 2002.

Noninterest expenses² of € 1.7 billion decreased by € 497 million, or 22%, from 2002. Expenses in 2002 included charges for restructuring reserves of € 26 million for restructuring plans initiated in the first and second quarter 2002. In 2003, € 6 million of these reserves were released subsequent to the full implementation of the plans. The decrease in noninterest expenses reflected the lower expense base due partly to the disposal of GSS, somewhat offset by certain expenses related to the sale, and also to the continuing benefits of the cost saving initiatives within the division.

The cost/income ratio of 70% was lower by 15 percentage points than in 2002 mainly due to the effects of the gain on the GSS disposal as noted above. After adjusting for this gain, the underlying cost income ratio, at 92%, was higher by 6 percentage points. The benefits of our cost containment program have been more than offset by the reductions in revenues as noted above and the GSS disposal-related expenses.

Private Clients and Asset Management Group Division

The following table sets forth the results of our Private Clients and Asset Management Group Division for the years ended December 31, 2003 and 2002, in accordance with our management reporting systems:

| in € m. (except where indicated) | 2003 | 2002 | 2003 increase (decrease) from 2002 | |
|--|--------------|--------------|------------------------------------|-------------|
| | | | in € | in % |
| Portfolio/fund management | 2,615 | 2,730 | (114) | (4) |
| Brokerage | 1,591 | 1,515 | 75 | 5 |
| Loans/deposits | 2,330 | 2,425 | (94) | (4) |
| Payments, account & remaining financial services | 823 | 849 | (26) | (3) |
| Other | 867 | 2,000 | (1,133) | (57) |
| Total net revenues | 8,226 | 9,518 | (1,292) | (14) |
| Therein: Net interest and trading revenues | 2,824 | 2,878 | (54) | (2) |
| Provision for loan losses | 325 | 224 | 100 | 45 |
| Provision for off-balance sheet positions | (3) | (1) | (2) | (153) |
| Total provision for credit losses | 321 | 223 | 98 | 44 |
| Operating cost base | 6,698 | 7,123 | (424) | (6) |
| Policyholder benefits and claims | 21 | 685 | (664) | (97) |
| Minority interest | 15 | 32 | (17) | (53) |
| Restructuring activities | - | 240 | (240) | (100) |
| Goodwill impairment | - | - | - | - |
| Total noninterest expenses¹ | 6,734 | 8,080 | (1,346) | (17) |
| Therein: Severance payments | 393 | 136 | 257 | 188 |
| Income (loss) before income taxes | 1,172 | 1,215 | (44) | (4) |
| Add (deduct) | | | | |
| Net (gains)/losses from businesses sold/held for sale | (51) | (511) | 460 | 90 |
| Restructuring activities | - | 240 | (240) | (100) |
| Goodwill impairment | - | - | - | - |
| Underlying pre-tax profit | 1,119 | 945 | 175 | 18 |
| Cost/income ratio in % | 82% | 85% | (3) ppt | (4) |
| Underlying cost/income ratio in % | 82% | 86% | (3) ppt | (4) |
| Assets | 124,606 | 109,394 | 15,212 | 14 |
| Risk-weighted positions (BIS risk positions) | 63,414 | 59,490 | 3,924 | 7 |
| Average active equity ² | 7,844 | 7,850 | (6) | - |
| Return on average active equity in % | 15% | 15% | (1) ppt | (4) |
| Underlying return on average active equity in % | 14% | 12% | 2 ppt | 19 |
| Invested assets (in € bn.) | 872 | 1,011 | (139) | (14) |
| Additional information: | | | | |
| Results excluding sold insurance and related activities | | | | |
| Net revenues | 8,226 | 8,236 | (10) | - |
| Provision for credit losses | 321 | 223 | 98 | 44 |
| Operating cost base | 6,698 | 7,019 | (321) | (5) |
| Policyholder benefits and claims | 21 | 35 | (14) | (40) |
| Minority interest | 15 | 26 | (11) | (41) |
| Restructuring activities | - | 240 | (240) | (100) |
| Goodwill impairment | - | - | - | - |
| Total noninterest expenses¹ | 6,734 | 7,320 | (586) | (8) |
| Therein: Severance payments | 393 | 135 | 258 | 191 |
| Income before income taxes | 1,172 | 693 | 478 | 69 |
| Cost/income ratio in % | 82% | 89% | (7) ppt | (8) |
| Invested assets (in € bn.) | 872 | 1,011 | (139) | (14) |

ppt – percentage points

¹ Excludes provision for off-balance sheet positions (reclassified to provision for credit losses).

² See Note [28] to the consolidated financial statements for a description of how average active equity is allocated to the divisions.

In the following paragraphs, we discuss the contribution of the individual corporate divisions to the overall results of Private Clients and Asset Management Group Division.

Asset and Wealth Management Corporate Division

The following table sets forth the results of our Asset and Wealth Management Corporate Division for the years ended December 31, 2003 and 2002, in accordance with our management reporting systems.

| in € m. (except where indicated) | 2003 | 2002 | 2003 increase (decrease) from 2002 | |
|---|--------------|--------------|------------------------------------|--------------|
| | | | in € | in % |
| Portfolio/fund management (AM) | 2,195 | 2,165 | 30 | 1 |
| Portfolio/fund management (PWM) | 281 | 338 | (57) | (17) |
| Total Portfolio/fund management | 2,476 | 2,503 | (27) | (1) |
| Brokerage | 654 | 680 | (26) | (4) |
| Loans/deposits | 128 | 167 | (38) | (23) |
| Payments, account & remaining financial services | 12 | 9 | 3 | 35 |
| Other | 570 | 388 | 182 | 47 |
| Total net revenues | 3,841 | 3,747 | 94 | 3 |
| Provision for loan losses | 2 | 23 | (21) | (90) |
| Provision for off-balance sheet positions | (3) | – | (3) | N/M |
| Total provision for credit losses | (1) | 23 | (24) | (103) |
| Operating cost base | 3,092 | 3,243 | (151) | (5) |
| Policyholder benefits and claims | 21 | 35 | (14) | (40) |
| Minority interest | 13 | 25 | (12) | (47) |
| Restructuring activities | – | – | – | – |
| Goodwill impairment | – | – | – | – |
| Total noninterest expenses¹ | 3,126 | 3,303 | (176) | (5) |
| Therein: Severance payments | 79 | 87 | (8) | (9) |
| Income (loss) before income taxes | 715 | 421 | 294 | 70 |
| Add (deduct) | | | | |
| Net (gains)/losses from businesses sold/held for sale | (55) | (8) | (47) | N/M |
| Goodwill impairment | – | – | – | – |
| Restructuring activities | – | – | – | – |
| Underlying pre-tax profit | 660 | 413 | 247 | 60 |
| Cost/income ratio in % | 81% | 88% | (7) ppt | (8) |
| Underlying cost/income ratio in % | 82% | 88% | (5) ppt | (6) |
| Assets | 48,138 | 37,642 | 10,496 | 28 |
| Risk-weighted positions (BIS risk positions) | 12,170 | 11,800 | 370 | 3 |
| Average active equity ² | 6,324 | 6,337 | (13) | – |
| Return on average active equity in % | 11% | 7% | 5 ppt | 70 |
| Underlying return on average active equity in % | 10% | 7% | 4 ppt | 60 |
| Invested assets (in € bn.) | 729 | 880 | (151) | (17) |

AM – Asset Management PWM – Private Wealth Management

ppt – percentage points N/M – Not meaningful

¹ Excludes provision for off-balance sheet positions (reclassified to provision for credit losses).

² See Note [28] to the consolidated financial statements for a description of how average active equity is allocated to the divisions.

Income before income taxes of our Asset and Wealth Management Corporate Division was € 715 million for the year ended December 31, 2003. Included in the increase of € 294 million compared to 2002 was a net gain of € 55 million from the sale of most of our Passive Asset Management business to Northern Trust Corporation on January 31, 2003. Lower noninterest expenses as well as higher revenues from our alternative investment business mainly drove the remaining increase of € 239 million, or 57%, compared to 2002.

Net revenues were € 3.8 billion for the year ended December 31, 2003, an increase of € 94 million, or 3%, compared to 2002. In addition to the aforementioned disposal gain, net revenues in 2003 reflected higher revenues from our Alternative Investments business as well as consolidation effects with respect to our Scudder/RREEF acquisitions (completed in the second quarter 2002) and to our Rued, Blass & Cie AG Bankgeschaefft acquisition (in March 2003). These increases were partially offset by the strengthening of the Euro that particularly affected our U.S.dollar-based revenues from portfolio/fund management, brokerage and loans/deposits.

Portfolio/fund management revenues within our Asset Management Business Division of € 2.2 billion increased by € 30 million, or 1%. Lower revenues resulting from lower invested assets, partially as a result of the sale of the Passive Asset Management business, and the foreign currency translation impact were offset by higher revenues from the aforementioned consolidation effects from the acquisition of Scudder/RREEF as well as by higher performance fees from our Hedge Funds business.

Portfolio/fund management revenues within our Private Wealth Management Business Division of € 281 million were € 57 lower than prior year primarily due to the currency translation impact, which was partly offset by higher revenues from net new client assets and an increase in the market value of managed assets, especially in the second half of the year.

Brokerage revenues of € 654 million decreased € 26 million, or 4%, due to difficult market conditions particularly in the beginning of 2003 and the aforementioned impact from foreign currency translation.

Loans/deposits revenues of € 128 million decreased by € 39 million, or 23%, due to the negative exchange rate impact on our U.S.dollar-based loans and lower deposit volumes as clients started to re-invest into securities when the stock markets started to improve in the second quarter of 2003.

Revenues from other products of € 570 million were € 182 million, or 47%, higher than in 2002 due to several large real estate transactions during 2003. In particular, in December 2003, we entered into an agreement to transfer a substantial part of our real estate private equity portfolio to a third party fund. The fund purchased most of Deutsche Bank's direct real estate private equity portfolio. The portfolio is well diversified by location, property type, and investment strategy, and consists of seasoned assets originated by the Asset Management Division. Our Asset Management Division will continue to manage the fund on behalf of its new investors continuing the transition from an investor in real estate to an asset manager. The greater part of the transaction closed in December 2003, with the remainder to close in the first quarter of 2004. This transaction contributed approximately € 194 million of revenues accounted for primarily as income from equity method investments and other revenues in the second half of 2003. In addition, the aforementioned gain on the sale of our Passive Asset Management business was reflected in this product category.

The provision for credit losses was a net release of € 1 million in 2003 compared to provisions of € 23 million in 2002, which primarily reflected losses for counterparties in Europe resulting from shortfalls in collateral levels as stock markets declined.

Noninterest expenses were € 3.1 billion for the year ended December 31, 2003, a decrease of € 177 million, or 5%, compared to 2002 due to successful cost management as headcount reductions of 12% resulted in savings across most cost categories as well as the positive effect of the strengthening of the euro partially offset by higher noninterest expenses due to the aforementioned consolidation effects from the acquisition of Scudder, RREEF and Rued, Blass & Cie AG Bankgeschaefft.

From 2002 to 2003, the cost/income ratio decreased by 7 percentage points to 81% in 2003 reflecting the impact of lower noninterest expenses and higher revenues as individually discussed above.

Invested assets decreased by € 151 billion, or 17%, to 729 billion in 2003 primarily due to the sale of our Passive Asset Management business in the first quarter of 2003, which accounted for approximately € 103 billion of the decrease. The remaining decrease was mainly due to the negative impact of the strengthening of the euro of € 73 billion, partially offset by positive market movements and net new assets of € 25 billion.

Private & Business Clients Corporate Division

The following table sets forth the results of our Private & Business Clients Corporate Division for the years ended December 31, 2003 and 2002, in accordance with our management reporting systems.

| in € m. (except where indicated) | 2003 | 2002 | 2003 increase (decrease) from 2002 | |
|--|--------------|--------------|------------------------------------|-------------|
| | | | in € | in % |
| Portfolio/fund management | 139 | 227 | (88) | (39) |
| Brokerage | 937 | 835 | 102 | 12 |
| Loans/deposits | 2,202 | 2,258 | (56) | (2) |
| Payments, account & remaining financial services | 811 | 840 | (29) | (3) |
| Other | 297 | 1,612 | (1,315) | (82) |
| Total net revenues | 4,385 | 5,772 | (1,386) | (24) |
| Provision for loan losses | 322 | 201 | 121 | 60 |
| Provision for off-balance sheet positions | (1) | (1) | 1 | 61 |
| Total provision for credit losses | 322 | 200 | 122 | 61 |
| Operating cost base | 3,606 | 3,880 | (274) | (7) |
| Policyholder benefits and claims | - | 650 | (650) | (100) |
| Minority interest | 2 | 7 | (5) | (75) |
| Restructuring activities | - | 240 | (240) | (100) |
| Goodwill impairment | - | - | - | - |
| Total noninterest expenses¹ | 3,607 | 4,777 | (1,170) | (24) |
| Therein: Severance payments | 314 | 49 | 265 | N/M |
| Income (loss) before income taxes | 456 | 794 | (338) | (43) |
| Add (deduct) | | | | |
| Net (gains)/losses from businesses sold/held for sale | 4 | (503) | 506 | 101 |
| Restructuring activities | - | 240 | (240) | (100) |
| Goodwill impairment | - | - | - | - |
| Underlying pre-tax profit (loss) | 459 | 532 | (73) | (14) |
| Cost/income ratio in % | 82% | 83% | (1) ppt | (1) |
| Underlying cost/income ratio in % | 82% | 84% | (2) ppt | (2) |
| Assets | 78,477 | 74,039 | 4,438 | 6 |
| Risk-weighted positions (BIS risk positions) | 51,244 | 47,690 | 3,554 | 7 |
| Average active equity ² | 1,521 | 1,513 | 7 | - |
| Return on average active equity in % | 30% | 52% | (22) ppt | (43) |
| Underlying return on average active equity in % | 30% | 35% | (5) ppt | (14) |
| Invested assets (in € bn.) | 143 | 131 | 12 | 9 |
| Additional information: | | | | |
| Results excluding sold insurance and related activities | | | | |
| Net revenues | 4,385 | 4,498 | (113) | (3) |
| Provision for credit losses | 322 | 200 | 122 | 61 |
| Operating cost base | 3,606 | 3,776 | (170) | (4) |
| Policyholder benefits and claims | - | - | - | - |
| Minority interest | 2 | 1 | 1 | 114 |
| Restructuring activities | - | 240 | (240) | (100) |
| Goodwill amortization | - | - | - | - |
| Total noninterest expenses¹ | 3,607 | 4,017 | (410) | (10) |
| Therein: Severance payments | 314 | 48 | 266 | N/M |
| Income before income taxes | 456 | 280 | 176 | 63 |
| Cost/income ratio in % | 82% | 89% | (7) ppt | (8) |
| Invested assets (in € bn.) | 143 | 131 | 12 | 9 |

ppt – percentage points N/M – Not meaningful

¹ Excludes provision for off-balance sheet positions (reclassified to provision for credit losses).

² See Note [28] to the consolidated financial statements for a description of how average active equity is allocated to the divisions.

Income before income taxes of our Private & Business Clients Corporate Division was € 456 million for the year ended December 31, 2003. The decrease of € 338 million compared to 2002 was driven by net gains from business disposals in 2002 of € 503 million in total (of which € 494 million related to the disposal of most of our insurance and related activities to Zurich Financial Services in the second quarter of 2002 and another € 9 million related to the sale of an Italian subsidiary in the third quarter of 2002). Excluding these disposal gains, income before income taxes increased by € 165 million, mainly due to significant reductions of our noninterest expenses in 2003.

Comparison figures for historical periods are materially affected by the sale of the insurance and related activities. The following therefore discusses Private & Business Clients' results of operations in 2002 excluding the results of these activities.

Net revenues decreased by € 113 million, or 3%, compared to 2002. The decline in net revenues was largely due to the difficult market environment especially at the beginning of 2003 and, to a lesser extent, also attributable to a decline in our revenue base subsequent to the streamlining of our branch network. Revenues from portfolio/fund management products decreased by € 88 million as our clients switched their emphasis from discretionary portfolio management products to brokerage products due to the poor market conditions. Revenues from brokerage products therefore increased by € 102 million, also reflecting some successful product placements, such as real estate funds, mainly in the first half of 2003. Revenues from loans/deposits products were € 56 million lower than in 2002. This decline was attributable to lower interest margins and lower deposit volumes. Payments, account and remaining financial services declined by € 29 million, partly related to the aforementioned sale of the Italian subsidiary in the third quarter of 2002. Revenues from other products of € 297 million in 2003 included realized gains of € 55 million on securities available for sale recognized in the second quarter of 2003. The decline compared to the previous year was due to the contribution of the majority of our pension plans to a segregated pension trust in December 2002, which led to lower net interest revenues and lower pension expenses starting January 2003.

Provision for credit losses increased to € 322 million in 2003 reflecting the impact of the difficult economic environment in Germany on the individual financial situation of some of our customers and falling real estate values in Germany.

Noninterest expenses were € 3.6 billion in 2003, a decrease of € 410 million, or 10%, as compared to 2002. Expenses for integration and reorganization measures masked the business-driven development of our noninterest expenses in both years. In 2002, we recorded charges of € 289 million in total, which comprised € 240 million expenses for restructuring activities as well as € 48 million expenses for severance payments. In 2003, when no charges for restructuring activities were recognized, severance payments increased to € 314 million. Excluding restructuring charges and severance payments, noninterest expenses amounted to € 3.3 billion in 2003 and to € 3.7 billion in 2002. This significant decrease of € 434 million, or 12%, reflected headcount reductions of approximately 10% subsequent to the aforementioned reorganization measures, the lower pension expenses as well as savings in all major expenses categories, with IT expenses and occupancy expenses being the most material contributors.

The cost/income ratio was 82% in 2003. This significant improvement by 7 percentage points compared to 2002 reflected our reduced noninterest expenses as described above.

Invested assets in 2003 were € 143 billion, an increase of € 12 billion compared to 2002 as equity markets improved towards year-end.

Corporate Investments Group Division

The following table sets forth the results of our Corporate Investments Group Division for the years ended December 31, 2003 and 2002, in accordance with our management reporting systems:

| in € m. (except where indicated) | 2003 | 2002 | 2003 increase (decrease) from 2002 | |
|---|----------------|--------------|------------------------------------|--------------|
| | | | in € | in % |
| Net revenues | (916) | 3,000 | (3,916) | (131) |
| Therein: Net interest and trading revenues | (6) | (29) | 23 | 79 |
| Provision for loan losses | 36 | 155 | (119) | (77) |
| Provision for off-balance sheet positions | (2) | (11) | 9 | 84 |
| Total provision for credit losses | 35 | 144 | (110) | (76) |
| Operating cost base | 681 | 1,228 | (547) | (45) |
| Minority interest | (31) | 3 | (34) | N/M |
| Restructuring activities | – | 1 | (1) | (100) |
| Goodwill impairment | 114 | 62 | 52 | 84 |
| Total noninterest expenses¹ | 763 | 1,293 | (530) | (41) |
| Therein: Severance payments | 20 | 19 | 1 | 4 |
| Income (loss) before income taxes | (1,714) | 1,563 | (3,277) | N/M |
| Add (deduct) | | | | |
| Net (gains)/losses from businesses sold/held for sale | 141 | (18) | 159 | N/M |
| Significant equity pick-ups/net (gains)/losses from investments | 938 | 1,197 | (259) | (22) |
| Net (gains)/losses on securities available for sale/industrial holdings incl. hedging | 184 | (3,659) | 3,844 | 105 |
| Net (gains)/losses on the sale of premises | 107 | – | 107 | N/M |
| Restructuring activities | – | 1 | (1) | (100) |
| Goodwill impairment | 114 | 62 | 52 | 84 |
| Underlying pre-tax loss | (232) | (855) | 623 | 73 |
| Cost/income ratio in % | N/M | 43% | N/M | N/M |
| Underlying cost/income ratio in % | 150% | N/M | N/M | N/M |
| Assets | 18,987 | 26,536 | (7,549) | (28) |
| Risk-weighted positions (BIS risk positions) | 13,019 | 19,219 | (6,200) | (32) |
| Average active equity ² | 5,236 | 6,522 | (1,286) | (20) |
| Return on average active equity in % | (33)% | 24% | (57) ppt | N/M |
| Underlying return on average active equity in % | (4)% | (13)% | 9 ppt | 66 |

ppt – percentage points N/M – Not meaningful

¹ Excludes provision for off-balance sheet positions (reclassified to provision for credit losses).

² See Note [28] to the consolidated financial statements for a description of how average active equity is allocated to the divisions.

Our Corporate Investments Group Division reported a loss before income taxes of € 1.7 billion for the year ended December 31, 2003, compared to income before income taxes of € 1.6 billion in the year ended December 31, 2002. The decrease was primarily attributable to lower gains from the sale of industrial holdings.

Net revenues were negative € 916 million in 2003, a decrease of € 3.9 billion as compared to the year ended December 31, 2002.

Net revenues in 2003 included net losses of € 184 million on securities available for sale and our industrial holdings portfolio, which primarily related to impairments deemed other-than-temporary on our positions in EFG Eurobank Ergasias S.A., Fiat S.p.A. and mg technologies ag as well as losses on nontrading derivatives in connection with the hedging of our industrial holdings portfolio. These charges were subsequently partially offset by recognized gains on the sale of our interest in EFG Eurobank Ergasias S.A. and mg technologies ag as well as gains from the

reduction of our holding in Allianz AG and the sale of HeidelbergCement AG. In 2002, net revenues included net gains of € 3.7 billion from sales of securities available for sale and our industrial holdings portfolio. The largest transaction was the sale of our remaining interest in Munich Re, which resulted in a net gain of € 2.6 billion. Gains from nontrading derivatives amounted to approximately € 150 million in 2002.

In 2003, net revenues included net losses related to sold businesses and businesses held for sale of € 141 million, mainly reflecting charges related to the sale of our fully consolidated holdings in Tele Columbus and the sale of parts of our remaining North American commercial and consumer finance business. In 2002, net revenues included net gains of € 438 million related to the merger and subsequent deconsolidation of our mortgage banking subsidiary EUROHYPO AG, together with the contribution of part of our London-based real estate investment banking business. This was offset by losses of € 184 million related to our private equity business held for sale and a net loss of € 236 million related to the sale of the major part of our North American financial services business.

Net revenues in 2003 also reflected net losses of € 107 million from the disposal of premises and net losses of € 938 million from significant equity method and other investments, including € 490 million for the complete write-off of our equity method investment in Gerling-Konzern Versicherungs-Beteiligungs-AG. Similar charges in 2002 amounted to € 1.2 billion, including our share of net loss of € 706 million from Gerling-Konzern Versicherungs-Beteiligungs-AG.

The remaining variance in net revenues in 2003 compared to 2002 was attributable to reduced revenues after the deconsolidation of our holdings in Center Parcs in the first quarter of 2003 and Tele Columbus in the third quarter of 2003, as well as the full-year effect of the deconsolidation of EUROHYPO AG and our North American financial services business, both of which were consolidated for a portion of 2002. These decreases were partially offset by higher dividend income from our industrial holdings portfolio.

The provision for credit losses was € 35 million in 2003 compared to € 144 million in 2002. The € 109 million reduction was primarily attributable to the reduction of credit exposure following the aforementioned deconsolidation of EUROHYPO AG and the sale of most of our North American financial services business.

Total noninterest expenses decreased in 2003 to € 763 million from € 1.3 billion in 2002. The reduction primarily resulted from the disposal of the above-mentioned businesses including the management buyout of 80% of our late-stage private equity portfolio, and is net of several negative factors. These included vacant space costs, sublease losses and other costs of eliminating excess space resulting from headcount reductions and the sale of businesses totaling € 174 million as well as goodwill impairment charges of € 114 million subsequent to decisions regarding the private equity fee-based businesses. In 2002, the noninterest expenses included € 62 million goodwill impairment charges related to the aforementioned management buyout and € 60 million charges in connection with the buyout of our Coinvestment Plans.

At year-end 2003, the alternative assets portfolio of the Corporate Investments Group Division had a carrying value of € 2.9 billion, of which 31% were private equity direct investments, 32% were real estate investments and 37% were private equity indirect and other investments. We continue to monitor the portfolio on a quarterly basis for any potential impairment. If the public equity and high-yield financing markets were to deteriorate, we might determine that further write-downs and valuation adjustments are necessary.

Off-balance Sheet Arrangements

We carry out certain business activities via arrangements with unconsolidated entities. We may provide financial support or otherwise be exposed to risks of loss as a result of these arrangements, typically through guarantees that we provide or subordinated retained interests that we hold. The purposes, risks, and effects of these arrangements are described below. Also, see Note [31] to the consolidated financial statements for disclosure of total outstanding guarantees and lending-related commitments entered into in the normal course of business which give rise to off-balance sheet credit risk.

We provide financial support related to off-balance sheet activities chiefly in connection with asset securitizations, commercial paper programs and commercial real estate leasing vehicles that we manage and that we do not consolidate. With the adoption of FIN 46, some of the vehicles related to these activities have been consolidated and some remain unconsolidated. We are addressing only the unconsolidated portion of these activities in this section. See Note [9] to the consolidated financial statements for financial information regarding both the consolidated and unconsolidated portions of these activities.

We may provide financial support in connection with asset securitizations by retaining a subordinated interest in the assets being securitized. In an asset securitization, we sell financial assets to a securitization vehicle that funds its purchase by issuing debt (asset-backed securities) to investors. We have no control over the securitization vehicle after the sale, and our creditors and we have no claim on the assets that we have sold. Similarly, the investors and the securitization vehicle have no recourse to our other assets if the loans go into default. For these reasons, we are not permitted to consolidate these vehicles. Asset-backed securities are attractive to investors in what is a deep and liquid market that lowers borrowing costs and increases credit availability to businesses and to consumers.

The securitization vehicles we use in these transactions pose limited liquidity risks since the payments to investors are directly tied to the payments received from the vehicle's assets and are unaffected by changes in our own credit rating or financial situation. A sudden drop in investor demand for asset-backed securities could cause us to restrict our lending thereafter for the types of loans we typically securitize, but we are not dependent on securitizations as a source of funding and such a market shift would not pose any significant additional liquidity risk not already considered in our risk analyses. To the extent we hold senior or subordinated debt issued by a securitization vehicle we have credit risk that is considered as part of our credit risk assessments or market valuations. Note [9] to the consolidated financial statements provides additional information regarding the extent of our retained interests in securitizations and the volume of our asset securitization activities.

Commercial paper programs represent a way for third parties to securitize their financial assets. In commercial paper programs, we do not securitize any of our own financial assets, but act as administrative agent. As administrative agent, we facilitate the sale of loans, other receivables, or securities from various third parties to an unconsolidated special purpose entity. We may also facilitate the transfer of the loans and securities that represent collateral provided by the third parties in return for loans granted by the unconsolidated entity. The entity then issues collateralized commercial paper to the market. In these situations, the commercial paper issuer is restricted from purchasing assets from or making loans to us.

Unlike securitization vehicles, commercial paper programs do pose liquidity risk since the commercial paper issued is short-term whereas the issuer's assets are longer term. We take on this risk whenever we provide a liquidity support facility to the issuer. In 2003, a methodology to incorporate these contingent liabilities in our liquidity risk framework (including stress testing) has been developed and approved by the Group Asset and Liability Committee. Rating agencies typically rate such commercial paper in the highest short-term category because of the collateral and credit support normally provided by a financial institution.

We may also guarantee the assets of the issuer as part of the facility, giving us secondary credit risk with the first loss taken by the third parties who sold their assets to the entity.

We sponsor commercial real estate leasing vehicles and closed-end funds where third party investors essentially provide senior financing for the purchase of commercial real estate, which is leased to other third parties. We typically either provide subordinated financing or we guarantee the investment made by the third parties, which exposes us to real estate market risk, and we receive fees for our administrative services.

The extent of the financial support we provide for the arrangements described above is disclosed in Note [9] to the consolidated financial statements in the disclosure of the Group's maximum exposure to loss as a result of its involvement with unconsolidated variable interest entities in which the Group holds a significant variable interest. The risks from these arrangements are included in our overall assessments of credit, liquidity and market risks.

Tabular Disclosure of Contractual Obligations

The table below shows the cash payment requirements from specified contractual obligations outstanding as of December 31, 2003:

| Contractual Obligations in € m. | Total | Payment due by period | | | |
|-------------------------------------|----------------|-----------------------|---------------|---------------|----------------------|
| | | Less than 1 year | 1-3 years | 3-5 years | More than 5 years |
| Long-Term Debt Obligations | 97,480 | 15,462 | 20,971 | 18,583 | 42,464 |
| Capital (Finance) Lease Obligations | 2,163 | 150 | 320 | 455 | 1,238 |
| Operating Lease Obligations | 2,839 | 481 | 725 | 559 | 1,074 |
| Purchase Obligations | 2,146 | 378 | 625 | 457 | 686 |
| Long-term Deposits | 24,982 | - | 10,578 | 5,045 | 9,359 |
| Other Long-Term Liabilities | 11,488 | 474 | 1,125 | 962 | 8,927 |
| Total | 141,098 | 16,945 | 34,344 | 26,061 | 63,748 |

Long-term deposits exclude contracts with a remaining maturity of less than one year. Purchase obligations reflect minimum payments due under long-term real-estate-related obligations, and long-term outsourcing agreements that require payments of either € 10 million or more in one year or € 15 million or more over the entire life of the agreement. Operating lease obligations exclude the benefit on noncancelable sublease rentals of € 302 million. Other long-term liabilities consist primarily of obligations to purchase common shares, and insurance policy reserves which are classified in the "More than 5 years" column since the obligations are long term in nature and actual payment dates cannot be specifically determined. See the following notes to the consolidated financial statements for further information: Note [11] regarding lease obligations, Note [14] regarding deposits, Note [16] regarding long-term debt, Note [18] regarding obligation to purchase common shares and Note [24] regarding insurance-related liabilities.

Significant Accounting Policies and Critical Accounting Estimates

We have prepared our consolidated financial statements in accordance with U.S. GAAP. Our significant accounting policies, as described in Note [1] to the Consolidated Financial Statements, are essential to understanding our reported results of operations and financial condition. Certain of these accounting policies require critical accounting estimates that involve complex and subjective judgments and the use of assumptions, some of which may be for matters that are inherently uncertain and susceptible to change. Such critical accounting estimates could change from period to period and have a material impact on financial condition, changes in financial condition or results of operations. Critical accounting estimates could also involve estimates where management could have reasonably used another estimate in the current accounting period. Actual results may differ from these estimates if conditions or underlying circumstances were to change.

We review the selection of these policies and the application of these critical accounting estimates with the Audit Committee of our Supervisory Board. We have identified the following significant accounting policies that involve critical accounting estimates.

Fair Value Estimates

Quoted market prices in active markets are the most reliable measure of fair value. However, quoted market prices for certain instruments, investments and activities, such as non-exchange traded contracts and venture capital companies and nonmarketable equity securities may not be available.

When quoted market prices are not available, derivatives and securities values are determined based upon discounted cash flow analysis, comparison to similar observable market transactions, or the use of financial models. Discounted cash flow analysis is dependent upon estimated future cash flows and the discount rate used. Valuation using pricing models is dependent upon time value, yield curve, volatility factors, prepayment speeds, default rates, loss severity, current market prices and transaction prices for underlying financial instruments. Pricing adjustments to model our portfolio valuations consider liquidity, credit exposure, concentration risks, hedging strategies, quality of model inputs, and other factors.

Where valuation of financial instruments is subjective due to the lack of observable market prices or inputs, management must apply judgment to make estimates and certain assumptions. For example, if prices or inputs to financial models are used for similar financial instruments, judgment is applied to make appropriate adjustments for differences in credit risk, liquidity or other factors.

Since the fair value determined might differ from actual net realizable values, the estimates are considered critical accounting estimates for our Corporate Banking & Securities Corporate Division, which trades certain over-the-counter derivatives, some of which have long terms or complex structures that are valued using financial models. Fair value estimates are also critical for our Corporate Investments Group Division, which holds investments that are not actively traded.

To maximize the accuracy of our valuations, we have established internal controls over the valuation process, which include independent price verification, testing and approval of valuation models, review and analysis of daily profit and loss, validation of valuation through close out profit and loss, and VaR backtesting. We perform price testing of model input parameters and prices of cash instruments, confirming that valuations have been performed using approved models and determining the appropriateness of valuations. We also test and approve pricing models.

Allowance for Loan Losses

We maintain an allowance for loan losses for exposures in our portfolio that represents our estimate of probable losses in our loan portfolio. Determining the allowance for loan losses requires significant management judgments and assumptions. The components of the allowance for loan losses include a specific loss component and an inherent loss component consisting of the country risk allowance, the smaller-balance standardized homogeneous loan loss allowance and the other inherent loss allowance. We believe that the accounting estimate related to the allowance for loan losses is a critical accounting estimate because the underlying assumptions used for both the specific and inherent loss components of the allowance can change from period to period. Such changes may materially affect our results of operations. The estimate for the allowance for loan losses is a critical accounting estimate for our Corporate Banking & Securities and Private & Business Clients Corporate Divisions.

The specific loss component is the allowance for losses on loans for which management believes we will be unable to collect all of the principal and interest due under the loan agreement. This component results in the largest portion of our allowance and requires consideration of various underlying factors. These assumptions include, but are not limited to, the financial strength of our customers, the expected future cash flows, fair value of underlying collateral or the market price of the loan. We regularly reevaluate all credit exposures that have already been specifically provided for, as well as all credit exposures that appear on our watchlist. Our assumptions are either validated or revised accordingly based on our reevaluation.

Some of the underlying factors used in determining the inherent loss component, include, but are not limited to, historical loss experience and political, economic and other relevant factors. We determine our country risk allowance based on historical loss experience and market data affecting a country's financial condition. Our smaller-balance standardized homogeneous portfolio is evaluated on an aggregate basis, based on historical loss experience considering factors such as past due status and collateral recovery values for each product type. In determining our other inherent loss allowance, we incorporate an expected loss calculation which measures the default loss we can expect within a one-year period on our credit exposure, based on our historical loss experience. When calculating expected loss, we consider collateral, maturities and statistical averaging procedures to reflect the risk characteristics of our different types of exposures and facilities.

Significant changes in any of these factors could materially affect our provision for loan losses. For example, if our current assumptions about expected future cash flows used in determining the specific loss component differ from actual results, we may need to make additional provisions for loan losses. In addition, the forecasted financial strength of any given customer may change due to various circumstances, such as future changes in the global economy or new information becoming available as to financial strength that may not have existed at the date of our estimates. This new information may require us to adjust our current estimates and make additional provisions for loan losses.

Our provision for loan losses totaled € 1.1 billion and € 2.1 billion for the year ended December 31, 2003, and 2002, respectively.

For further discussion on our allowance for loan losses, see the risk report and Note [7] and [8] to the consolidated financial statements.

Impairment of Assets other than Loans

Certain assets, including, equity method and other investments (including venture capital companies and nonmarketable equity securities), securities available for sale, and goodwill, are subject to an impairment review. We record impairment charges when we believe an asset has experienced an other-than-temporary decline in value, or its cost may not be recoverable. Future impairment charges may be required if triggering events occur, such as adverse market conditions, suggesting deterioration in an asset's recoverability or fair value. Assessment of timing of when such declines become other than temporary and/or the amount of such impairment is a matter of significant judgement.

Equity method investments, other equity interests and securities available for sale are evaluated for impairment on a quarterly basis, or more frequently if events or changes in circumstances indicate that these investments are impaired. For example, indications that these investments are impaired could include specific conditions in an industry or geographical area or specific information regarding the financial condition of the company, such as a downgrade in credit rating. If information becomes available after we make our evaluation, we may be required to recognize an other-than-temporary impairment in the future. Because the estimate for other-than-temporary impairment could change from period to period based upon future events that may or may not occur, we consider this to be a critical accounting estimate. We recognized an other-than-temporary impairment for equity method investments, other equity interests and securities available for sale in 2003, 2002 and 2001. For additional information on securities available for sale, see Note [5] to the consolidated financial statements and for equity method investments and other equity interests, see Note [6] to the consolidated financial statements.

Goodwill is tested for impairment on an annual basis, or more frequently if events or changes in circumstances indicate that the goodwill may be impaired, such as an adverse change in business climate. The fair value determination used in the impairment assessment requires estimates based on quoted market prices, prices of comparable businesses, present value or other valuation techniques, or a combination thereof, necessitating management to make subjective judgements and assumptions. Because these estimates and assumptions could result in significant differences to the amounts reported if underlying circumstances were to change, we consider this estimate to be critical. As of December 31, 2003, goodwill had a carrying amount of € 6.7 billion. Evaluation of impairment of goodwill is a significant estimate for multiple divisions. In 2003, a goodwill impairment loss of € 114 million related to the Private Equity reporting unit was recorded following decisions relating to the private equity fee-based business including the transfer of certain businesses to the Asset and Wealth Management Corporate Division. During 2002, an impairment charge for goodwill was recorded after an assessment for impairment was made due to a change in the estimated fair value as a result of holding a significant portion of our Private Equity reporting unit for sale in our Corporate Investments Group Division. For further discussion on goodwill, see Note [12] to the consolidated financial statements.

Deferred Tax Assets Valuation Allowance

We recognize deferred tax assets and liabilities for the future tax consequences attributable to differences between the financial statement carrying amounts of existing assets and liabilities and their respective tax bases, net operating loss carryforwards and tax credits. A valuation allowance is maintained for deferred tax assets that we estimate are more likely than not to be unrealizable based on available evidence at the time the estimate is made. Determining the valuation allowance requires significant management judgements and assumptions. In determining the valuation allowance, we use historical and forecasted future operating results, based upon approved business plans, including a review of the eligible carryforward periods, tax planning opportunities and other relevant considerations. Each quarter, we reevaluate our estimate related to the valuation allowance, including our assumptions about future profitability.

We believe that the accounting estimate related to the valuation allowance is a critical accounting estimate because the underlying assumptions can change from period to period. For example, tax law changes or variances in future projected operating performance could result in a change in the valuation allowance. If we were not able to realize all or part of our net deferred tax assets in the future, an adjustment to our deferred tax assets valuation allowance would be charged to income tax expense in the period such determination was made.

Our income tax expense included charges related to changes in valuation allowance of approximately € 99 million, € 254 million and € 286 million for the year ended December 31, 2003, 2002 and 2001, respectively. These changes were a result of reviews of the factors discussed above.

Recent Accounting Developments

SFAS 146

Effective January 1, 2003, we adopted SFAS No. 146, "Accounting for Costs Associated with Exit or Disposal Activities" ("SFAS 146"). SFAS 146 requires companies to recognize costs associated with exit or disposal activities when they are incurred rather than at the date of a commitment to an exit or disposal plan. SFAS 146 replaces the guidance provided by EITF Issue No. 94-3, "Liability Recognition for Certain Employee Termination Benefits and Other Costs to Exit an Activity (including Certain Costs Incurred in a Restructuring)." SFAS 146 is to be applied prospectively to exit or disposal activities initiated after December 31, 2002. The adoption of SFAS 146 did not have a material impact on our consolidated financial statements.

FIN 45

Effective January 1, 2003, we adopted the accounting provisions of Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) Interpretation No. 45, "Guarantor's Accounting and Disclosure Requirements for Guarantees, Including Indirect Guarantees of Indebtedness of Others" ("FIN 45"). FIN 45 requires the recognition of a liability for the fair value at inception of guarantees entered into or modified after December 31, 2002. FIN 45 also addresses the disclosure to be made by a guarantor in its financial statements about its guarantee obligations. The adoption of FIN 45 did not have a material impact on our consolidated financial statements.

SFAS 148

We adopted the fair value recognition provisions of SFAS No. 123, "Accounting for Stock-Based Compensation" ("SFAS 123") prospectively for all employee awards granted, modified or settled after January 1, 2003. This prospective adoption is one of the methods provided for under SFAS No. 148, "Accounting for Stock-Based Compensation - Transition and Disclosure." The prospective adoption of the fair value provisions of SFAS 123 on share-based awards for the 2003 performance year did not have a material impact on our consolidated financial statements.

FIN 46

FASB Interpretation No. 46, "Consolidation of Variable Interest Entities" ("FIN 46") was issued in January 2003. FIN 46 requires a company to consolidate entities as the primary beneficiary if the equity investment at risk is not sufficient for the entity to finance its activities without additional subordinated financial support from other parties or if the equity investors lack essential characteristics of a controlling financial interest. Securitization vehicles that are qualifying special purpose entities are excluded from the new rule and remain unconsolidated.

The Interpretation was effective immediately for entities established after January 31, 2003, and for interests obtained in variable interest entities after that date. For variable interest entities created before February 1, 2003, FIN 46 was originally effective for us on July 1, 2003. In October 2003, the FASB deferred the effective date so that application could be deferred for some or all such variable interest entities until December 31, 2003, pending resolution of various matters and the issuance of clarifying guidance. On July 1, 2003, we elected not to apply FIN 46 to a limited number of variable interest entities created before February 1, 2003, that we believed might not require consolidation at December 31, 2003. We applied FIN 46 to substantially all other variable interest entities as of July 1, 2003. As a result, we recorded a € 140 million gain as a cumulative effect of a change in accounting principle and total assets increased by € 18 billion. Effective December 31, 2003, we have fully adopted FIN 46. There was no significant effect from the application of FIN 46 to those variable interest entities for which adoption occurred after July 1, 2003.

The entities consolidated as a result of applying FIN 46 were primarily multi-seller commercial paper conduits that we administer in the Corporate and Investment Bank Group Division, and mutual funds offered by the Private Clients and Asset Management Group Division for which we guarantee the value of units investors purchase.

Upon adoption at July 1, 2003, € 12 billion of the increase in total assets was due to the consolidation of the multi-seller commercial paper conduits. Subsequently, certain of these conduits with total assets of € 4 billion were restructured and accordingly deconsolidated.

The beneficial interests of the investors in the guaranteed value mutual funds are reported as other liabilities and totaled € 15 billion at December 31, 2003. The assets of the funds consist primarily of trading assets in the amount of € 13 billion. The net revenues of these funds due to investors totaled € 115 million for the six months ended December 31, 2003. These net revenues of the funds consist of € 179 million of net interest revenues, negative trading revenues of € 20 million and € 44 million of expenses for fund administration. The obligation to pass the net revenues to the investors is recorded as an increase in the beneficial interest obligation in other liabilities and a corresponding charge to other revenues in the amount of € 115 million.

Certain entities were de-consolidated as a result of applying FIN 46, primarily investment vehicles and trusts associated with trust preferred securities that we sponsor where the investors bear the economic risks. The gain from the application of FIN 46 primarily represents the reversal of the impact on earnings of securities held by the investment vehicles that were deconsolidated.

SFAS 149

Effective July 1, 2003, we adopted SFAS No. 149, "Amendment of Statement 133 on Derivative Instruments and Hedging Activities," ("SFAS 149"). SFAS 149 amends and clarifies the reporting and accounting for derivative instruments, including certain derivatives embedded in other contracts, and for hedging activities under SFAS No. 133, "Accounting for Derivative Instruments and Hedging Activities." The adoption of SFAS 149 did not have a material impact on our consolidated financial statements.

SFAS 150

Effective July 1, 2003, we adopted SFAS No. 150, "Accounting for Certain Instruments with Characteristics of Both Liabilities and Equity" ("SFAS 150"). SFAS 150 requires that an entity classify as liabilities (or assets in some circumstances) certain financial instruments with characteristics of both liabilities and equity. SFAS 150 applies to certain freestanding financial instruments that embody an obligation for the entity and that may require the entity to issue shares, or redeem or repurchase its shares.

SFAS 150 changed the accounting for outstanding forward purchases of approximately 52 million Deutsche Bank common shares with a weighted-average strike price of € 56.17 which were entered into to satisfy obligations under employee share-based compensation awards. We recognized an after-tax gain of € 11 million, net of € 5 million tax expense, as a cumulative effect of a change in accounting principle as these contracts were adjusted to fair value upon adoption of SFAS 150. The contracts were then amended effective July 1, 2003, to allow for physical settlement only. This resulted in a charge to shareholders' equity of € 2.9 billion and the establishment of a corresponding liability classified as obligation to purchase common shares. Settlements of the forward contracts in the second half of 2003, reduced the obligation to purchase common shares to € 2.3 billion as of December 31, 2003. Since July 1, 2003, the costs of these contracts have been recorded as interest expense instead of as a direct reduction of shareholders' equity.

The accounting for physically settled forward contracts reduces shareholders' equity, which effectively results in the shares being accounted for as if retired or in treasury even though the shares are still outstanding. As such, SFAS 150 also requires that the number of outstanding shares associated with physically settled forward purchase contracts be removed from the denominator in computing basic and diluted earnings per share (EPS). The number of weighted average shares deemed no longer outstanding for EPS purposes for the year ended December 31, 2003 related to the forward purchase contracts described above is 23 million shares.

EITF 02-3

EITF 02-3 addresses the accounting treatment for derivative contracts held for trading purposes and contracts involved in energy trading and risk management activities, and the income statement presentation of gains and losses on derivative contracts held for trading purposes. Effective January 1, 2003, we adopted certain provisions of EITF 02-3, related to energy and derivative contracts held for trading purposes, which did not have a material impact on our consolidated financial statements.

FIN 46 (revised December 2003)

In December 2003, the FASB issued a revised version of FIN 46, "Consolidation of Variable Interest Entities, an interpretation of ARB No. 51" ("FIN 46(R)"). The FASB modified FIN 46 to address certain technical corrections and implementation issues that had arisen. FIN 46(R) allows a choice as to the timing of implementation of the revised rules. We will adopt FIN 46(R) no later than March 31, 2004. Upon adoption of FIN 46(R), it is likely that a significant amount of the guaranteed value mutual funds will be deconsolidated. There are no entities where it is reasonably possible that we will have to consolidate or disclose information about when this interpretation becomes effective.

FSP 106-1

In January 2004, the FASB issued Staff Position 106-1, "Accounting and Disclosure Requirements Related to the Medicare Prescription Drug, Improvement and Modernization Act of 2003" ("FSP 106-1"). The Act, signed into law in the U.S. on December 8, 2003, introduces a prescription drug benefit as well as a subsidy to sponsors of retiree health care benefit plans that provide a benefit that is at least actuarially equivalent to benefits provided under the Act. The FSP 106-1 permits entities to make a one-time election to defer recognizing the effects of the Act in accounting for its postretirement benefit plans under SFAS No. 106, "Employers' Accounting for Postretirement Benefits Other Than Pensions" ("SFAS 106"), until either authoritative accounting guidance is issued or plan assets and obligations are remeasured due to a significant event.

We have elected to defer recognition of the effects of the Act in accounting for our postretirement plans under SFAS 106, and the postretirement benefit obligations and expense reported in the accompanying financial statements and notes do not reflect the effects of the Act. Specific authoritative guidance on the accounting for the government subsidy is pending and that guidance, when issued, could require that we change previously reported information.

SAB 105

In March 2004, the SEC released Staff Accounting Bulletin No. 105, "Application of Accounting Principles to Loan Commitments" ("SAB 105"). SAB 105 clarifies the requirements for the initial valuation of loan commitments that are accounted for as derivatives in accordance with SFAS 133 and is effective for commitments entered into after March 31, 2004. We are currently assessing the effects, if any, that the adoption of SAB 105 will have on our consolidated financial statements.

Risk Factors

An investment in our shares involves a number of risks. You should carefully consider the following information about the risks we face, together with the other information in this document, in the light of our mix of businesses when you make investment decisions involving our shares.

Market declines and volatility can materially adversely affect our revenues and profits. Changes in our business in recent years have been causing a shift among the primary risks we assume. In particular, we have increased our exposure to the financial markets as we have emphasized growth in our investment banking activities, including trading activities. We have been de-emphasizing growth in our traditional lending business. Conditions in the financial markets materially affect our businesses. Market downturns can occur not only as a result of purely economic factors, but also as a result of war, acts of terrorism, natural disasters or other similar events and can cause our revenues to decline. If we are unable to reduce our expenses at the same pace, our profitability can erode. Volatility can sometimes also adversely affect us.

In particular, this represents the following:

- *We may incur significant losses from our trading and investment activities due to market fluctuations.* We enter into and maintain large trading and investment positions in the fixed income, equity and currency markets, primarily through our Corporate Banking & Securities Corporate Division, many of which include derivative financial instruments. We also have made significant investments in individual companies through our Corporate Investments Group Division. In each of the product and business lines in which we enter into these kinds of positions, we assess the financial markets and trends in them. The revenues and profits we derive from many of our positions and our transactions in connection with them are dependent on the development of market prices.
- *Protracted market declines can reduce liquidity in the markets, making it harder to sell assets and leading to material losses.* In some of our businesses, protracted market movements, particularly asset price declines, can reduce the level of activity in the market or reduce market liquidity. These developments can lead to material losses if we cannot close out deteriorating positions in a timely way.
- *Even where losses are for our clients' accounts, they may fail to repay us, leading to material losses for us, and our reputation can be harmed.*
- *Our investment banking revenues in the form of financial advisory and underwriting fees may decline in adverse market or economic conditions.*
- *We may generate lower revenues from brokerage and other commission- and fee-based businesses if market downturns lead to declines in the volume of transactions.* The fees that we charge for managing our clients' portfolios are in many cases based on the value or performance of those portfolios. A market downturn that reduces the value of our clients' portfolios or increases the amount of withdrawals would reduce the revenues we receive.

Our nontraditional credit businesses materially add to our traditional banking credit risks. Many of the businesses we engage in beyond the traditional lending businesses also expose us to credit risk, such as holding securities of third parties or entering into swap or other derivative contracts. We engage in most of these businesses through our Corporate Banking & Securities Corporate Division entailing credit transactions, frequently ancillary to other transactions.

If we are unable to fully implement Phase 2 of our management agenda, our return on equity target may not be reached and our future earnings and share price may be materially and adversely affected. As part of Phase 2, we set the specific goals of maintaining strict cost, capital and risk discipline, capitalizing on global leadership in our Corporate and Investment Bank Group Division (CIB), delivering profitable growth to our Private Clients and Asset Management Group Division (PCAM) and establishing Deutsche Bank as the most reputable brand. We have stated that we aim to provide our shareholders with an underlying pre-tax return on equity of 25%, once the strategy is complete. Our future earnings, and thus our ability to achieve this return on equity target, as well as the future value of our shares and our ability to compete effectively, may be materially and adversely affected should we fail to achieve the Phase 2 objectives or should the Phase 2 objectives that are achieved fail to produce the anticipated benefits. A number of factors could prevent the achievement of these objectives or the realization of their anticipated benefits, including changes in the markets in which we are active, global, regional and national economic conditions and increased competition for business and employees. In addition, we may be unable to implement the internal measures we need to achieve our objectives.

The size of our clearing operations exposes us to a heightened risk of material losses should these operations fail to function properly. We believe that the sheer scope of our clearing and settlement business heightens the risk that we, our customers or other third parties could lose substantial sums if our systems fail to

operate properly for even short periods. This will be the case even where the reason for the interruption is external to us.

Our risk management policies, procedures and methods may leave us exposed to unidentified or unanticipated risks, which could lead to material losses. We have devoted significant resources to developing our risk management policies, procedures and assessment methods and intend to continue to do so in the future. Nonetheless, our risk management techniques and strategies may not be fully effective in mitigating our risk exposure in all economic market environments or against all types of risk, including risks that we fail to identify or anticipate.

We may have difficulty in identifying and executing acquisitions, and both making acquisitions and avoiding them could materially harm our results of operations and our share price. The international banking and financial services industries are consolidating rapidly. In recent years there has been substantial consolidation in the United States and Europe, regions in which we generate the majority of our revenues. Even though we review the companies we plan to acquire, it is generally not feasible for these reviews to be complete in all respects. As a result, we may assume unanticipated liabilities, or an acquisition may not perform as well as expected. Were we to announce or complete a significant business combination transaction, our share price could decline significantly if investors viewed the transaction as too costly or unlikely to improve our competitive position. If we avoid entering into additional business combination transactions or fail to identify attractive companies to acquire, market participants may, especially in the current climate of consolidation, perceive us negatively.

We may have difficulties selling noncore assets at favorable prices, or at all.

Events at companies in which we have invested may make it harder to sell our holdings and result in material losses irrespective of market developments. Where we hold significant investments in other companies, the effect of losses and risks at those companies may reduce the value of our holdings considerably, including the value of thereof reflected in our financial statements, even where general market conditions are favorable.

Intense competition, especially in our home market of Germany, could materially hurt our revenues and profitability. Competition is intense in all of our primary business areas. We derived approximately 29% of our total net revenues in 2003 from Germany. If we are unable to respond to the competitive environment, we may lose market share in important areas of our business or incur losses on some or all of our activities. In addition, downturns in the German economy could add to the competitive pressure, through, for example, increased price pressure and lower business volumes for us and our competitors.

Unforeseeable events can interrupt our operations and cause substantial losses and additional costs. Unforeseeable events like the terrorist attacks in the United States on September 11, 2001 can lead to an abrupt interruption of our operations which can cause substantial losses. If our business continuity plans do not address such events or cannot be implemented under the circumstances, such losses may increase.

Outlook

Throughout 2003 stability and confidence returned to the global economy and to the financial markets. At the beginning of 2004 most leading indicators point to a further acceleration of global economic activity, which is reflected in robust global equity markets. The U.S. economy will continue to be the mainstay of global growth. After growing a healthy 3% in 2003, U.S. gross domestic product (GDP) is seen to expand by some 4% in the current year based on rising investment and employment. The recovery in the euro zone should broaden in 2004 as private consumption will benefit from lower inflation, supported by the strength of the euro. German GDP growth in 2004 could reach 2% bringing it slightly above the euro zone's average. This, however, requires some pick-up in consumption which has remained sluggish so far. Recent updates to business surveys have shown that despite the strength of the world economy the appreciation of the euro is providing a damper for activity in the industrial sector. Risks arise mainly from the U.S. where the transition to a self-sustained growth in 2005 might fail, leading to a current-account-induced U.S. dollar crisis, putting the potential adjustment burden on the rest of the world. Finally, risk premiums in the credit markets have dropped to levels which make financial markets extremely vulnerable to shocks from, among other factors, the developments in the Middle East or terrorism.

For Deutsche Bank, 2003 was a year when the results of our transformation program were reflected in our bottom line and the progressing development of our franchise received positive recognition from the markets. But we have also used the previous year to lay the ground for the next phase of our strategy: building a springboard for growth.

In our Corporate and Investment Bank (CIB) we have launched systematic growth initiatives to further strengthen the franchise, such as closing the product and distribution gap between us and the top three players in all aspects of U.S. fixed income in Global Markets; expanding structured products in the U.S. and into Asia-Pacific for Global Equities; further building our U.S. mergers & acquisitions, equity capital markets and debt products business within Global Corporate Finance; introducing market-based-loan pricing in our Global Banking Division; and selling risk management products through Global Trade Finance in Global Transaction Banking.

We are also determined to generate further profitable growth in Private Clients and Asset Management (PCAM). We will continue our efforts to increase efficiency and optimize the product and service range. A comprehensive portfolio of business initiatives is aimed at capturing additional profit growth potential. Our Asset Management Business Division aims to increase our client base and build our brand and culture from within a strictly-controlled cost environment. Going forward, our Private Wealth Management Business Division intends to increase invested assets, revenues, and overall contribution to the bottom line of the Group. Our Private & Business Clients Corporate Division aims to deliver profitable growth through attracting and keeping clients, and team building. The business seeks to attract and keep customers by serving them throughout their lives, and matching the right advisor with the right offering to the right customer.

In Corporate Investments, we expect to continue to reduce our exposure to non-core activities in 2004 through a continuation of our strategy of opportunistic realization whilst preserving/enhancing value in the portfolio as a whole. This will allow us to re-deploy capital and other resources back into our core client businesses.

Risk discipline made significant progress in 2003 and we expect further progress to be supported by improving economic conditions in 2004. We will continue to closely manage risk-weighted assets. We will increasingly use hedging strategies and securitization structures to the extent that they enable us to manage economic risk and risk-weighted assets in efficient ways. We will expand our use of market-based loan pricing. With support of this pricing framework, we will continue to reallocate our balance sheet towards more profitable customer relationships.

Continued cost discipline will remain a clear priority and we are committed to maintain our rigorous attitude to reducing our cost base, constantly improving the efficiency of our businesses, infrastructure platforms and internal processes. To this end, we aim to further reduce the operating cost base by approximately € 800 million with the completion of the second phase of our strategy. We are confident we can attain this goal as the impact of earlier

cost cutting measures become fully visible in the current financial year and as additional cuts in infrastructure costs are made.

Capital management will be further supported by our continued determination to return capital to shareholders. Given the current strength of our core capital ratio, we are very confident that also our second share buy-back program will successfully support our strategic targets, without compromising our strong capitalization.

Our transformation strategy lays a solid foundation for continued growth. We have set aggressive but realistic targets for phase two of our management agenda, and the strong competitive platform, combined with good revenue momentum, makes us confident we can achieve our goal of 25 percent underlying pre-tax return on equity, once the strategy is complete.

The year 2004 has started well for us, and we are confident that, if the world's economies and financial markets continue to develop positively, our growth objectives are achievable.

Consolidated Statement of Income

Income Statement

| in € m. | [Notes] | 2003 | 2002 | 2001 |
|--|------------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|
| Interest revenues | [23], [31] | 27,583 | 35,781 | 53,639 |
| Interest expense | [23], [31] | 21,736 | 28,595 | 45,019 |
| Net interest revenues | | 5,847 | 7,186 | 8,620 |
| Provision for loan losses | [6], [7], [8] | 1,113 | 2,091 | 1,024 |
| Net interest revenues after provision for loan losses | | 4,734 | 5,095 | 7,596 |
| Commissions and fees from fiduciary activities | | 3,273 | 3,926 | 3,537 |
| Commissions, broker's fees, markups on securities underwriting and other securities activities | | 3,564 | 4,319 | 4,557 |
| Fees for other customer services | | 2,495 | 2,589 | 2,633 |
| Insurance premiums | | 112 | 744 | 2,717 |
| Trading revenues, net | [31] | 5,611 | 4,024 | 6,031 |
| Net gains on securities available for sale | [5] | 20 | 3,523 | 1,516 |
| Net loss from equity method investments | [6] | (422) | (887) | (365) |
| Other revenues | [6], [13], [31] | 768 | 1,123 | 295 |
| Total noninterest revenues | | 15,421 | 19,361 | 20,921 |
| Compensation and benefits | [20], [25], [31] | 10,495 | 11,358 | 13,360 |
| Net occupancy expense of premises | | 1,251 | 1,291 | 1,334 |
| Furniture and equipment | | 193 | 230 | 357 |
| IT costs | | 1,913 | 2,188 | 2,343 |
| Agency and other professional service fees | | 724 | 761 | 1,080 |
| Communication and data services | | 626 | 792 | 891 |
| Policyholder benefits and claims | | 110 | 759 | 3,002 |
| Other expenses | | 2,002 | 2,883 | 3,182 |
| Goodwill impairment/amortization | [12] | 114 | 62 | 871 |
| Restructuring activities | [29] | (29) | 583 | 294 |
| Total noninterest expenses | | 17,399 | 20,907 | 26,714 |
| Income before income tax expense and cumulative effect of accounting changes | | 2,756 | 3,549 | 1,803 |
| Income tax expense | [26] | 1,327 | 372 | 434 |
| Reversal of 1999/2000 credits for tax rate changes | [26] | 215 | 2,817 | 995 |
| Income before cumulative effect of accounting changes, net of tax | | 1,214 | 360 | 374 |
| Cumulative effect of accounting changes, net of tax | [2] | 151 | 37 | (207) |
| Net income | | 1,365 | 397 | 167 |

Earnings per Share Figures

| in € | [Notes] | 2003 | 2002 | 2001 |
|---|-----------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| Earnings per common share | [2], [12], [20], [27] | | | |
| Basic | | | | |
| Income before cumulative effect of accounting changes, net of tax | | 2.17 | 0.58 | 0.60 |
| Cumulative effect of accounting changes, net of tax | | 0.27 | 0.06 | (0.33) |
| Net income | | 2.44 | 0.64 | 0.27 |
| Diluted | | | | |
| Income before cumulative effect of accounting changes, net of tax | | 2.06 | 0.57 | 0.60 |
| Cumulative effect of accounting changes, net of tax | | 0.25 | 0.06 | (0.33) |
| Net income | | 2.31 | 0.63 | 0.27 |
| Cash dividends declared per common share | | 1.30 | 1.30 | 1.30 |

The accompanying notes are an integral part of the Consolidated Financial Statements.

Consolidated Statement of Comprehensive Income

Statement of Comprehensive Income

| in € m. | 2003 | 2002 | 2001 |
|---|--------------|----------------|----------------|
| Net income | 1,365 | 397 | 167 |
| Reversal of 1999/2000 credits for tax rate changes | 215 | 2,817 | 995 |
| Unrealized gains (losses) on securities available for sale | | | |
| Unrealized net gains (losses) arising during the year, net of tax and other ¹ | 1,619 | (5,596) | (2,496) |
| Net reclassification adjustment for realized net (gains) losses, net of applicable tax and other ² | 162 | (3,527) | (1,423) |
| Unrealized net gains (losses) on derivatives hedging variability of cash flows, net of tax ³ | (4) | 2 | (1) |
| Minimum pension liability, net of tax ⁴ | 8 | (8) | – |
| Foreign currency translations | | | |
| Unrealized net gains (losses) arising during the year, net of tax ⁵ | (936) | (1,602) | 85 |
| Net reclassification adjustment for realized net gains, net of tax ⁶ | (54) | – | – |
| Total other comprehensive income (loss) | 1,010 | (7,914) | (2,840) |
| Comprehensive income (loss) | 2,375 | (7,517) | (2,673) |

¹ Amounts are net of income tax expense (benefit) of 38 million, (69) million and (105) million for the years ended December 31, 2003, 2002 and 2001, respectively, and adjustments to insurance policyholder liabilities and deferred acquisition costs of 4 million, (230) million and (610) million for the years ended December 31, 2003, 2002 and 2001, respectively.

² Amounts are net of applicable income tax expense of 41 million, 15 million and 144 million for the years ended December 31, 2003, 2002 and 2001, respectively, and adjustments to insurance policyholder liabilities and deferred acquisition costs of (10) million, 110 million and (44) million for the years ended December 31, 2003, 2002 and 2001, respectively.

³ The amount is net of an income tax benefit for the years ended December 31, 2003 and 2001 and income tax expense for the year ended December 2002.

⁴ Amount is net of income tax expense of 3 million for the year ended December 31, 2003 and an income tax benefit of 3 million for the year ended December 31, 2002.

⁵ Amounts are net of an income tax expense (benefit) of 70 million, 26 million and (41) million for the years ended December 31, 2003, 2002 and 2001, respectively.

⁶ Amount is net of an income tax benefit of 5 million for the year ended December 31, 2003.

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Consolidated Balance Sheet

Assets

| in € m. | [Notes] | Dec 31, 2003 | Dec 31, 2002 |
|---|---------------------------------|----------------|----------------|
| Cash and due from banks | | 6,636 | 8,979 |
| Interest-earning deposits with banks | [33] | 14,649 | 25,691 |
| Central bank funds sold and securities purchased under resale agreements | [33] | 112,419 | 117,689 |
| Securities borrowed | [33] | 72,796 | 37,569 |
| Trading assets of which 107 billion and 70 billion were pledged to creditors and can be sold or repledged at December 31, 2003 and 2002, respectively | [4], [10], [33] | 345,371 | 294,679 |
| Securities available for sale of which 404 million and 736 million were pledged to creditors and can be sold or repledged at December 31, 2003 and 2002, respectively | [5], [10], [33] | 24,631 | 21,619 |
| Other investments | [6], [33] | 8,570 | 10,768 |
| Loans, net | [7], [8], [9], [10], [32], [33] | 144,946 | 167,303 |
| Premises and equipment, net | [10], [11] | 5,786 | 8,883 |
| Goodwill | [2], [12] | 6,735 | 8,372 |
| Other intangible assets, net | [2], [12] | 1,122 | 1,411 |
| Other assets related to insurance business | [24] | 8,249 | 7,797 |
| Due from customers on acceptances | | 60 | 99 |
| Accrued interest receivable | | 3,612 | 4,208 |
| Pending securities transactions past settlement date | | 11,082 | 5,524 |
| Other assets | [26] | 36,950 | 37,764 |
| Total assets | | 803,614 | 758,355 |

Liabilities and Shareholders' Equity

| in € m. | [Notes] | Dec 31, 2003 | Dec 31, 2002 |
|--|------------------------|----------------|----------------|
| Deposits | [14], [33] | 306,154 | 327,625 |
| Trading liabilities | [4], [33] | 153,234 | 131,212 |
| Central bank funds purchased and securities sold under repurchase agreements | [10], [33] | 102,433 | 90,709 |
| Securities loaned | [10], [33] | 14,817 | 8,790 |
| Other short-term borrowings | [15], [19], [33] | 22,290 | 11,573 |
| Acceptances outstanding | | 60 | 99 |
| Insurance policy claims and reserves | [24] | 9,071 | 8,557 |
| Accrued interest payable | | 3,793 | 4,668 |
| Pending securities transactions past settlement date | | 10,390 | 4,611 |
| Other liabilities | [19], [25], [26], [29] | 53,380 | 33,084 |
| Long-term debt | [19], [16], [33] | 97,480 | 104,055 |
| Trust preferred securities | [17] | - | 3,103 |
| Obligation to purchase common shares | [18] | 2,310 | 278 |
| Total liabilities | | 775,412 | 728,364 |
| Common shares, no par value, nominal value of € 2.56 ¹ | [20] | 1,490 | 1,592 |
| Additional paid-in capital | | 11,147 | 11,199 |
| Retained earnings | | 20,486 | 22,087 |
| Common shares in treasury, at cost ² | | (971) | (1,960) |
| Equity classified as obligation to purchase common shares | [18] | (2,310) | (278) |
| Share awards | | 954 | 955 |
| Accumulated other comprehensive income (loss) | | | |
| Deferred tax on unrealized net gains on securities available for sale relating to 1999 and 2000 tax rate changes in Germany | | (2,828) | (3,043) |
| Unrealized net gains on securities available for sale, net of applicable tax and other | | 1,937 | 156 |
| Unrealized net gains (losses) on derivatives hedging variability of cash flows, net of tax | | (3) | 1 |
| Minimum pension liability, net of tax | | - | (8) |
| Foreign currency translation, net of tax | | (1,700) | (710) |
| Total accumulated other comprehensive loss | | (2,594) | (3,604) |
| Total shareholders' equity | [20], [22] | 28,202 | 29,991 |
| Total liabilities and shareholders' equity | | 803,614 | 758,355 |

Commitments and contingent liabilities: see Notes [11],[31] and [34].

¹ Issued: 2003: 581.9 million shares; 2002: 621.9 million shares.

² 2003: 16.8 million shares; 2002: 36.4 million shares.

The accompanying notes are an integral part of the Consolidated Financial Statements.

Consolidated Statement of Changes in Shareholders' Equity

Statement of Changes in Shareholders' Equity

| in € m. | 2003 | 2002 | 2001 |
|--|---------------|---------------|---------------|
| Common shares | | | |
| Balance, beginning of year | 1,592 | 1,591 | 1,578 |
| Common shares distributed under employee benefit plans | – | 1 | 13 |
| Retirement of common shares | (102) | – | – |
| Balance, end of year | 1,490 | 1,592 | 1,591 |
| Additional paid-in capital | | | |
| Balance, beginning of year | 11,199 | 11,253 | 10,876 |
| Common shares distributed under employee benefit plans | – | 21 | 462 |
| Net losses on treasury shares sold | (36) | (129) | (85) |
| Other | (16) | 54 | – |
| Balance, end of year | 11,147 | 11,199 | 11,253 |
| Retained earnings | | | |
| Balance, beginning of year | 22,087 | 22,619 | 23,331 |
| Net income | 1,365 | 397 | 167 |
| Cash dividends declared and paid | (756) | (800) | (801) |
| Net losses on treasury shares sold | (386) | – | – |
| Retirement of common shares | (1,801) | – | – |
| Other | (23) | (129) | (78) |
| Balance, end of year | 20,486 | 22,087 | 22,619 |
| Common shares in treasury, at cost | | | |
| Balance, beginning of year | (1,960) | (479) | (119) |
| Purchases of shares | (25,464) | (30,755) | (37,032) |
| Sale of shares | 23,903 | 28,441 | 36,090 |
| Retirement of shares | 1,903 | – | – |
| Treasury shares distributed under employee benefit plans | 647 | 833 | 582 |
| Balance, end of year | (971) | (1,960) | (479) |
| Equity classified as obligation to purchase common shares | | | |
| Balance, beginning of year | (278) | – | – |
| Additions | (2,911) | (330) | – |
| Deductions | 879 | 52 | – |
| Balance, end of year | (2,310) | (278) | – |
| Share awards – common shares issuable | | | |
| Balance, beginning of year | 1,955 | 1,666 | 1,883 |
| Deferred share awards granted, net | 888 | 1,098 | 487 |
| Deferred shares distributed | (647) | (809) | (704) |
| Balance, end of year | 2,196 | 1,955 | 1,666 |
| Share awards – deferred compensation | | | |
| Balance, beginning of year | (1,000) | (767) | (1,016) |
| Deferred share awards granted, net | (888) | (1,098) | (487) |
| Amortization of deferred compensation, net | 646 | 865 | 736 |
| Balance, end of year | (1,242) | (1,000) | (767) |
| Accumulated other comprehensive income (loss) | | | |
| Balance, beginning of year | (3,604) | 4,310 | 7,150 |
| Reversal of 1999/2000 credits for tax rate changes | 215 | 2,817 | 995 |
| Change in unrealized net gains on securities available for sale, net of applicable tax and other | 1,781 | (9,123) | (3,919) |
| Change in unrealized net gains/losses on derivatives hedging variability of cash flows, net of tax | (4) | 2 | (1) |
| Change in minimum pension liability, net of tax | 8 | (8) | – |
| Foreign currency translation, net of tax | (990) | (1,602) | 85 |
| Balance, end of year | (2,594) | (3,604) | 4,310 |
| Total shareholders' equity, end of year | 28,202 | 29,991 | 40,193 |

The accompanying notes are an integral part of the Consolidated Financial Statements.

Consolidated Statement of Cash Flows

Cash flow statement

| in € m. | 2003 | 2002 | 2001 |
|--|----------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| Net income | 1,365 | 397 | 167 |
| Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash used in operating activities | | | |
| Provision for loan losses | 1,113 | 2,091 | 1,024 |
| Restructuring activities | (29) | 583 | 294 |
| Gain on sale of securities available for sale, other investments, loans and other | (201) | (4,928) | (2,806) |
| Deferred income taxes, net | 269 | 2,480 | (159) |
| Impairment, depreciation and other amortization and accretion | 3,072 | 2,845 | 4,886 |
| Cumulative effect of accounting changes, net of tax | (151) | (37) | 207 |
| Share of net loss (income) from equity method investments | (42) | 753 | 278 |
| Net change in | | | |
| Trading assets | (37,624) | (4,071) | (1,263) |
| Other assets | (7,452) | 8,627 | (9,670) |
| Trading liabilities | 22,719 | 11,412 | (3,022) |
| Other liabilities | 8,095 | (20,639) | (4,559) |
| Other, net | 47 | (296) | 1,412 |
| Net cash used in operating activities | (8,819) | (783) | (13,211) |
| Net change in | | | |
| Interest-earning deposits with banks | 11,305 | 7,800 | 9,232 |
| Central bank funds sold and securities purchased under resale agreements | 5,378 | (14,004) | (47,959) |
| Securities borrowed | (35,226) | 2,749 | 33,138 |
| Loans | 12,789 | 9,634 | 5,802 |
| Proceeds from | | | |
| Sale of securities available for sale | 13,620 | 25,835 | 41,128 |
| Maturities of securities available for sale | 7,511 | 7,731 | 2,746 |
| Sale of other investments | 2,068 | 5,089 | 7,096 |
| Sale of loans | 16,703 | 9,508 | 16,185 |
| Sale of premises and equipment | 2,628 | 717 | 1,015 |
| Purchase of | | | |
| Securities available for sale | (19,942) | (22,464) | (34,289) |
| Other investments | (2,141) | (4,474) | (7,976) |
| Loans | (9,030) | (2,364) | (8,903) |
| Premises and equipment | (991) | (1,696) | (3,689) |
| Net cash received (paid) for business combinations/divestitures | 2,469 | (1,110) | 924 |
| Other, net | 327 | 687 | 958 |
| Net cash provided by investing activities | 7,468 | 23,638 | 15,408 |
| Net change in | | | |
| Deposits | (21,423) | (41,278) | 22,548 |
| Securities loaned and central bank funds purchased and securities sold under repurchase agreements | 17,751 | 7,603 | (16,096) |
| Other short-term borrowings | (4,303) | 274 | (15,151) |
| Issuances of long-term debt and trust preferred securities | 43,191 | 40,245 | 32,958 |
| Repayments and extinguishments of long-term debt and trust preferred securities | (32,366) | (27,201) | (22,884) |
| Issuances of common shares | - | 73 | 320 |
| Purchases of treasury shares | (25,464) | (30,755) | (37,032) |
| Sale of treasury shares | 23,389 | 28,665 | 36,024 |
| Cash dividends paid | (756) | (800) | (801) |
| Other, net | (37) | (455) | (522) |
| Net cash used in financing activities | (18) | (23,629) | (636) |
| Net effect of exchange rate changes on cash and due from banks | (974) | (635) | 325 |
| Net increase (decrease) in cash and due from banks | (2,343) | (1,409) | 1,886 |
| Cash and due from banks, beginning of the year | 8,979 | 10,388 | 8,502 |
| Cash and due from banks, end of the year | 6,636 | 8,979 | 10,388 |
| Interest paid | 22,612 | 31,349 | 48,099 |
| Income taxes paid, net | 911 | 408 | 1,251 |
| Noncash investing activities | | | |
| Transfer from available for sale securities to trading assets | - | - | 22,101 |
| Transfer from trading assets to available for sale securities | - | - | 14,938 |

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Notes

[1] Significant Accounting Policies

Deutsche Bank Aktiengesellschaft ("Deutsche Bank" or the "Parent") is a stock corporation organized under the laws of the Federal Republic of Germany. Deutsche Bank together with all entities in which Deutsche Bank has a controlling financial interest (the "Group") is a global provider of a full range of corporate and investment banking, private clients and asset management products and services. For a discussion of the Group's business segment information, see Note [28].

The accompanying consolidated financial statements are stated in Euros and have been prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America ("U.S. GAAP"). The preparation of financial statements in conformity with U.S. GAAP requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the balance sheet date, and the reported amounts of revenue and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from management's estimates. Certain prior period amounts have been reclassified to conform to the current presentation.

The following is a description of the significant accounting policies of the Group.

Principles of Consolidation

The consolidated financial statements include Deutsche Bank together with all entities in which Deutsche Bank has a controlling financial interest. The Group consolidates entities in which it has a majority voting interest when the entity is controlled through substantive voting equity interests and the equity investors bear the residual economic risks of the entity. The Group consolidates those entities that do not meet these criteria when the Group absorbs a majority of the entity's expected losses, or if no party absorbs a majority of the expected losses, when the Group receives a majority of the entity's expected residual returns.

Notwithstanding the above, certain securitization vehicles (commonly known as qualifying special purpose entities) are not consolidated if they are distinct from and not controlled by the entities that transferred the assets into the vehicle, and their activities are legally prescribed, significantly limited from inception, and meet certain restrictions regarding the assets they can hold and the circumstances in which those assets can be sold.

For consolidated guaranteed value mutual funds, in which the Group has only minor equity interests, the obligation to pass the net revenues of these funds to the investors is reported in other liabilities, with a corresponding charge to other revenues.

Prior to January 1, 2003, the Group consolidated all majority-owned subsidiaries as well as special purpose entities that the Group was deemed to control or from which the Group retained the majority of the risks and rewards. Qualifying special purpose entities were not consolidated.

All material intercompany transactions and balances have been eliminated. Issuances of a subsidiary's stock to third parties are treated as capital transactions.

Revenue Recognition

Revenue is recognized when it is realized or realizable, and earned. This concept is applied to the key revenue generating activities of the Group as follows:

Net interest revenues – Interest from interest-bearing assets and liabilities is recognized on an accrual basis over the life of the asset or liability based on the constant effective yield reflected in the terms of the contract and any related net deferred fees, premiums, discounts or debt issuance costs. See the "Loans" section of this footnote for more specific information regarding interest from loans receivable.

Valuation of assets and liabilities – Certain assets and liabilities are required to be revalued each period end and the offset to the change in the carrying amount is recognized as revenue. These include assets and liabilities held for trading purposes, certain derivatives held for nontrading purposes, loans held for sale, and investments accounted for under the equity method. In addition, assets are revalued to recognize impairment losses within revenues when certain criteria are met. See the discussions in the "Trading Assets and Liabilities, and Securities Available for Sale," "Derivatives," "Other Investments," "Allowances for Credit Losses," and "Impairment" sections of this footnote for more detailed explanations of the valuation methods used and the methods for determining impairment losses for the various types of assets involved.

Fees and commissions – Revenue from the various services the Group performs are recognized when the following criteria are met: persuasive evidence of an arrangement exists, the services have been rendered, the fee or commission is fixed or determinable, and collectability is reasonably assured. Incentive fee revenues from investment advisory services are recognized at the end of the contract period when the incentive contingencies have been resolved.

Sales of assets – Gains and losses from sales of assets result primarily from sales of financial assets in monetary exchanges, which include sales of trading assets, securities available for sale, other investments, and loans. In addition, the Group records revenue from sales of non-financial assets such as real estate, subsidiaries and other assets.

To the extent assets are exchanged for beneficial or ownership interests in those same assets, the exchange is not considered a sale and no gain or loss is recorded. Otherwise, gains and losses on exchanges of financial assets that are held at fair value, and gains on financial assets not held at fair value, are recorded when the Group has surrendered control of those financial assets. Gains on exchanges of non-financial assets are recorded once the sale has been closed or consummated, except when the Group maintains certain types of continuing involvement with the asset sold, in which case the gains are deferred. Losses from sales of non-financial assets and financial assets not held at fair value are recognized once the asset is deemed held for sale.

Gains and losses from monetary exchanges are calculated as the difference between the book value of the assets given up and the fair value of the proceeds received and liabilities incurred. Gains or losses from nonmonetary exchanges are calculated as the difference between the book value of the assets given up and the fair value of the assets given up and liabilities incurred as part of the transaction, except that the fair value of the assets received is used if it is more readily determinable.

Foreign Currency Translation

Assets and liabilities denominated in currencies other than an entity's functional currency are translated into its functional currency using the period-end exchange rates, and the resulting transaction gains and losses are reported in trading revenues. Foreign currency revenues, expenses, gains, and losses are recorded at the exchange rate at the dates recognized.

Gains and losses resulting from translating the financial statements of net investments in foreign operations into the reporting currency of the parent entity are reported, net of any hedge and tax effects, in accumulated other comprehensive income within shareholders' equity. Revenues and expenses are translated at the weighted-average rate during the year whereas assets and liabilities are translated at the period end rate.

Reverse Repurchase and Repurchase Agreements

Securities purchased under resale agreements ("reverse repurchase agreements") and securities sold under agreements to repurchase ("repurchase agreements") are treated as collateralized financings and are carried at the amount of cash disbursed and received, respectively. The party disbursing the cash takes possession of the securities serving as collateral for the financing. Securities purchased under resale agreements consist primarily of OECD country sovereign bonds or sovereign guaranteed bonds. Securities owned and pledged as collateral under repurchase agreements in which the counterparty has the right by contract or custom to sell or repledge the collateral are disclosed on the Consolidated Balance Sheet.

The Group monitors the fair value of the securities received or delivered. For securities purchased under resale agreements, the Group requests additional securities or the return of a portion of the cash disbursed when appropriate in response to a decline in the market value of the securities received. Similarly, the return of excess securities or additional cash is requested when appropriate in response to an increase in the market value of securities sold under repurchase agreements. The Group offsets reverse repurchase and repurchase agreements with the same counterparty under master netting agreements when they have the same maturity date and meet certain other criteria regarding settlement and transfer mechanisms. Interest earned on reverse repurchase agreements and interest incurred on repurchase agreements are reported as interest revenues and interest expense, respectively.

Securities Borrowed and Securities Loaned

Securities borrowed and securities loaned are recorded at the amount of cash advanced or received. Securities borrowed transactions generally require the Group to deposit cash with the securities lender. In a securities loaned transaction, the Group generally receives either cash collateral, in an amount equal to or in excess of the market value of securities loaned, or securities. If the securities received may be sold or repledged, they are accounted for as trading assets and a corresponding liability to return the security is recorded. The Group monitors the fair value of securities borrowed and securities loaned and additional collateral is obtained, if necessary. Fees received or paid are reported in interest revenues and interest expense, respectively. Securities owned and pledged as collateral under securities lending agreements in which the counterparty has the right by contract or custom to sell or repledge the collateral are disclosed on the Consolidated Balance Sheet.

Trading Assets and Liabilities, and Securities Available for Sale

The Group designates debt and marketable equity securities as either held for trading purposes or available for sale at the date of acquisition.

Trading assets and trading liabilities are carried at their fair values and related realized and unrealized gains and losses are included in trading revenues.

Securities available for sale are carried at fair value with the changes in fair value reported in accumulated other comprehensive income within shareholders' equity unless the security is subject to a fair value hedge, in which case changes in fair value resulting from the risk being hedged are recorded in other revenues. The amounts reported in other comprehensive income are net of deferred income taxes and adjustments to insurance policyholder liabilities and deferred acquisition costs.

Declines in fair value of securities available for sale below their amortized cost that are deemed to be other than temporary and realized gains and losses are reported in the Consolidated Statement of Income in net gains on securities available for sale. The amortization of premiums and accretion of discounts are recorded in interest revenues. Generally, the weighted-average cost method is used to determine the cost of securities sold.

Fair value is based on quoted market prices, price quotes from brokers or dealers, or estimates based upon discounted expected cash flows.

Derivatives

All freestanding contracts that are considered derivatives for accounting purposes are carried at fair value in the balance sheet regardless of whether they are held for trading or nontrading purposes. Derivative features embedded in other contracts that meet certain criteria are also measured at fair value. Fair values for derivatives are based on quoted market prices, discounted cash flow analysis, comparison to similar observable market transactions, or pricing models that take into account current market and contractual prices of the underlying instruments as well as time value and yield curve or volatility factors underlying the positions. Fair values also take into account expected market risks, modeling risks, administrative costs and credit considerations. Derivative assets and liabilities arising from contracts with the same counterparty that are covered by qualifying and legally enforceable master netting agreements are reported on a net basis.

The Group enters into various contracts for trading purposes, including swaps, futures contracts, forward commitments, options and other similar types of contracts and commitments based on interest and foreign exchange rates, equity and commodity prices, and credit risk. The Group also makes commitments to originate mortgage loans that will be held for sale. Such positions are considered derivatives and are carried at their fair values as either trading assets or trading liabilities, and related gains and losses are included in trading revenues.

Derivative features embedded in other nontrading contracts are measured separately at fair value when they are not clearly and closely related to the host contract and meet the definition of a derivative. Unless designated as a hedge, changes in the fair value of such an embedded derivative are reported in trading revenues. The carrying amount is reported on the Consolidated Balance Sheet with the host contract.

Certain derivatives entered into for nontrading purposes, not qualifying for hedge accounting, that are otherwise effective in offsetting the effect of transactions on noninterest revenues and expenses are recorded in other assets or other liabilities with changes in fair value recorded in the same noninterest revenues and expense captions affected by the transaction being offset. The changes in fair value of all other derivatives not qualifying for hedge accounting are recorded in trading revenues.

For accounting purposes there are three possible types of hedges, each of which is accounted for differently: (1) hedges of the changes in fair value of assets, liabilities or firm commitments (fair value hedges), (2) hedges of the variability of future cash flows from forecasted transactions and floating rate assets and liabilities (cash flow

hedges), and (3) hedges of the translation adjustments resulting from translating the financial statements of net investments in foreign operations into the reporting currency of the parent. Hedge accounting, as described in the following paragraphs, is applied for each of these types of hedges, if the hedge is properly documented at inception and the hedge is highly effective in offsetting changes in fair value, variability of cash flows, or the translation effects of net investments in foreign operations.

For hedges of changes in fair value, the changes in the fair value of the hedged asset or liability due to the risk being hedged are recognized in earnings along with changes in the entire fair value of the derivative. When hedging interest rate risk, for both the derivative and the hedged item any interest accrued or paid is reported in interest revenue or expense and the unrealized gains and losses from the fair value adjustments are reported in other revenues. When hedging the foreign exchange risk in an available-for-sale security, the fair value adjustments related to the foreign exchange exposures are also recorded in other revenues. Hedge ineffectiveness is reported in other revenues and is measured as the net effect of the fair value adjustments made to the derivative and the hedged item arising from changes in the market rate or price related to the risk being hedged.

If a hedge of changes in fair value is canceled because the derivative is terminated or de-designated, any remaining interest rate-related fair value adjustment made to the carrying amount of a hedged debt instrument is amortized to interest revenue or expense over the remaining life of the hedged item. For other types of fair value adjustments or whenever the hedged asset or liability is sold or terminated, any basis adjustments are included in the calculation of the gain or loss on sale or termination.

For hedges of the variability of cash flows, there is no special accounting for the hedged item and the derivative is carried at fair value with changes in value reported initially in other comprehensive income to the extent the hedge is effective. These amounts initially recorded in other comprehensive income are subsequently reclassified into earnings in the same periods during which the forecasted transaction affects earnings. Thus, for hedges of interest rate risk the amounts are amortized into interest revenues or expense along with the interest accruals on the hedged transaction. When hedging the foreign exchange risk in an available-for-sale security, the amounts resulting from foreign exchange risk are included in the calculation of the gain or loss on sale once the hedged security is sold. Hedge ineffectiveness is recorded in other revenues and is usually measured as the difference between the changes in fair value of the actual hedging derivative and a hypothetically perfect hedge.

When hedges of the variability of cash flows due to interest rate risk are canceled, amounts remaining in accumulated other comprehensive income are amortized to interest revenues or expense over the original life of the hedge. For cancellations of other types of hedges of the variability of cash flows, the related amounts accumulated in other comprehensive income are reclassified into earnings either in the same income statement caption and period as the forecasted transaction, or in other revenues when it is no longer probable that the forecasted transaction will occur.

For hedges of the translation adjustments resulting from translating the financial statements of net investments in foreign operations into the reporting currency of the parent, the portion of the change in fair value of the derivative due to changes in the spot foreign exchange rate is recorded as a foreign currency translation adjustment in other comprehensive income to the extent the hedge is effective; and the remainder is recorded as other revenues.

Any derivative de-designated as a hedging derivative is transferred to trading assets and liabilities and marked to market with changes in fair value recognized in trading revenues. For any hedging derivative that is terminated, the difference between the derivative's carrying amount and the cash paid or received is recognized as other revenues.

Other Investments

Other investments include investments accounted for under the equity method, holdings of designated consolidated investment companies, and other nonmarketable equity interests and investments in venture capital companies.

The equity method of accounting is applied to investments when the Group does not have a controlling financial interest, but has the ability to significantly influence operating and financial policies of the investee. Generally, this is when the Group has an investment between 20% and 50% of the voting stock of a corporation or 3% or more of a limited partnership. Other factors that are considered in determining whether the Group has significant influence include representation on the board of directors (supervisory board in the case of German stock corporations) and material intercompany transactions.

Under equity method accounting, the pro-rata share of the investee's income or loss, on a U.S. GAAP basis, as well as disposition gains and losses and charges for other-than-temporary impairments, are included in net income from equity method investments. Equity method losses in excess of the Group's carrying amount of the investment in the enterprise are charged against other assets held by the Group related to the investee. Prior to January 1, 2002, the difference between the Group's cost and its proportional underlying equity in net assets of the investee at the date of investment ("equity method goodwill") was amortized on a straight-line basis against net income from equity method investments over a period not exceeding fifteen years. Effective January 1, 2002, equity method goodwill is no longer amortized and is instead subject to impairment reviews in conjunction with the reviews of the overall investment.

Investments held by designated investment companies that are consolidated are included in other investments, as they are primarily nonmarketable equity securities, and are carried at fair value with changes in fair value recorded in other revenues.

Other nonmarketable equity investments and investments in venture capital companies, in which the Group does not have a controlling financial interest or significant influence, are included in other investments and carried at historical cost, net of declines in fair value below cost that are deemed to be other than temporary. Gains and losses upon sale or impairment are included in other revenues.

Loans

Loans are carried at their outstanding unpaid principal balances net of charge-offs, unamortized premiums or discounts, and deferred fees and costs on originated loans. Interest revenues are accrued on the unpaid principal balance. Net deferred fees and premiums or discounts are recorded as an adjustment of the yield (interest revenues) over the contractual lives of the related loans. Loan commitment fees are recognized in fees for other customer services over the life of the commitment.

Loans are placed on nonaccrual status if either the loan has been in default as to payment of principal or interest for 90 days or more and the loan is neither well secured nor in the process of collection; or the loan is not yet 90 days past due, but in the judgment of management the accrual of interest should be ceased before 90 days because it is probable that all contractual payments of interest and principal will not be collected. When a loan is placed on nonaccrual status, any accrued but unpaid interest previously recorded is reversed against current period interest revenues. Cash receipts of interest on nonaccrual loans are recorded as either interest revenues or a reduction of principal according to management's judgment as to the collectability of principal. Accrual of interest is resumed only once the loan is current as to all contractual payments due and the loan is not impaired.

Leasing Transactions

Lease financing transactions, which include direct financing and leveraged leases, in which a Group entity is the lessor are classified as loans. Unearned income is amortized to interest revenues over the lease term using the interest method. Capital leases in which a Group entity is the lessee are capitalized as assets and reported in premises and equipment.

Allowances for Credit Losses

The allowances for credit losses represent management's estimate of probable losses that have occurred in the loan portfolio and other lending-related commitments as of the date of the consolidated financial statements. The allowance for loan losses is reported as a reduction of loans and the allowance for credit losses on lending-related commitments is reported in other liabilities.

To allow management to determine the appropriate level of the allowance for loan losses, all significant counterparty relationships are reviewed periodically, as are loans under special supervision, such as impaired loans. Smaller-balance standardized homogeneous loans are collectively evaluated for impairment. This review encompasses current information and events related to the counterparty, as well as industry, geographic, economic, political, and other environmental factors. This process results in an allowance for loan losses which consists of a specific loss component and an inherent loss component. Loans that are subject to the specific loss component are not evaluated under the inherent loss component.

The specific loss component represents the allowance for impaired loans. Impaired loans represent loans for which, based on current information and events, management believes it is probable that the Group will not be able to collect all principal and interest amounts due in accordance with the contractual terms of the loan agreement. The specific loss component of the allowance is measured by the excess of the recorded investment in the loan, including accrued interest, over either the present value of expected future cash flows, the fair value of the underlying collateral or the market price of the loan. Impaired loans are generally placed on nonaccrual status.

The inherent loss component is for all other loans not individually evaluated but that, on a portfolio basis, are believed to have some inherent loss which is probable of having occurred and is reasonably estimable. The inherent loss component consists of an allowance for country risk, an allowance for smaller-balance standardized homogeneous exposures and an other inherent loss component.

The country risk component is for loan exposures in countries where there are serious doubts about the ability of counterparties to comply with the repayment terms due to the economic or political situation prevailing in the respective country of domicile, that is, for transfer and currency convertibility risks.

The allowance for smaller-balance standardized homogeneous exposures is established for loans to individuals and small business customers of the private and retail business. These loans are evaluated for inherent loss on a collective basis, based on analyses of historical loss experience from each customer and product type according to criteria such as past due status and collateral recovery values.

The other inherent loss component represents an estimate of inherent losses resulting from the imprecisions and uncertainties in determining credit losses. Amounts determined to be uncollectable are charged to the allowance. Subsequent recoveries, if any, are credited to the allowance. The provision for loan losses, which is charged to income, is the amount necessary to adjust the allowance to the level determined through the process described above.

The allowance for credit losses on lending-related commitments, which is established through charges to other expenses, is determined using the same measurement techniques as the allowance for loan losses.

Loans Held for Sale

Loans held for sale are accounted for at the lower of cost or market on an individual basis and are reported as other assets. Origination fees and direct costs are deferred until the related loans are sold and are included in the determination of the gains or losses upon sale, which are reported in other revenues. Valuation adjustments related to loans held for sale are reported in other assets and other revenues, and are not included in the allowance for credit losses nor the provision for loan losses.

Asset Securitizations

When the Group transfers financial assets to securitization vehicles, it may retain one or more subordinated tranches, cash reserve accounts, or in some cases, servicing rights or interest-only strips, all of which are retained interests in the securitized assets. The amount of the gain or loss on transfers accounted for as sales depends in part on the previous carrying amounts of the financial assets involved in the transfer, allocated between the assets sold and the retained interests based on their relative fair values at the date of transfer. Retained interests other than servicing rights are classified as trading assets, securities available for sale or other assets depending on the nature of the retained interest and management intent. Servicing rights are classified in intangible assets, carried at the lower of the allocated basis or current fair value and amortized in proportion to and over the period of net servicing revenue.

To obtain fair values, quoted market prices are used if available. However, for securities representing retained interests from securitizations of financial assets, quotes are often not available, so the Group generally estimates fair value based on the present value of future expected cash flows using management's best estimates of the key assumptions (loan losses, prepayment speeds, forward yield curves, and discount rates) commensurate with the risks involved. Interest revenues on retained interests is recognized using the effective yield method.

Premises and Equipment

Premises and equipment are stated at cost less accumulated depreciation. Depreciation is generally computed using the straight-line method over the estimated useful lives of the assets. The range of estimated useful lives is 25 to 50 years for premises and 3 to 10 years for furniture and equipment. Leasehold improvements are depreciated on a straight-line basis over the shorter of the term of the lease or the estimated useful life of the improvement, which generally ranges from 3 to 15 years. Depreciation of premises is included in net occupancy expense of premises, while depreciation of equipment is included in furniture and equipment expense and IT costs, as applicable. Maintenance and repairs are charged to expense and improvements are capitalized. Gains and losses on dispositions are reflected in other revenues.

Leased properties meeting certain criteria are capitalized as assets in premises and equipment and depreciated over the terms of the leases.

Eligible costs related to software developed or obtained for internal use are capitalized and depreciated using the straight-line method over a period of 3 to 5 years. Eligible costs include external direct costs for materials and services, as well as payroll and payroll-related costs for employees directly associated with an internal-use software project. Overhead, as well as costs incurred during planning or after the software is ready for use, is expensed as incurred.

Goodwill and Other Intangible Assets

As of January 1, 2002, goodwill, which represents the excess of the cost of an acquired entity over the fair value of net assets acquired at the date of acquisition, is no longer amortized and is tested for impairment annually, or more frequently if events or changes in circumstances, such as an adverse change in business climate, indicate that the goodwill may be impaired. Loan servicing rights are carried at the lower of the allocated basis or current fair value and amortized in proportion to and over the estimated period of net servicing revenue. Other intangible assets that have a finite useful life are amortized over a period of 3 to 15 years. In addition, other intangible assets acquired subsequent to January 1, 2002, that were determined to have an indefinite useful life, primarily investment management agreements related to retail mutual funds, are not amortized. These assets are tested for impairment and their useful lives are reaffirmed at least annually. Prior to January 1, 2002, goodwill and all other intangible assets were amortized over their estimated useful lives. Goodwill was amortized on a straight-line basis over a period not exceeding fifteen years.

Obligation to Purchase Common Shares

Forward purchases of equity shares of a consolidated Group company that require physical settlement are reported as obligation to purchase common shares. At inception the obligation is recorded at the fair value of the shares, which is equal to the present value of the settlement amount of the forward. For forward purchases of Deutsche Bank shares, a corresponding charge is made to shareholders' equity and reported as equity classified as obligation to purchase common shares. For forward purchases of minority interest shares, a corresponding reduction to other liabilities is made.

The liability is accounted for on an accrual basis if the purchase price is fixed, and interest costs on the liability are reported as interest expense. Deutsche Bank common shares subject to such contracts are not considered to be outstanding for purposes of earnings per share calculations. Upon settlement of such forward purchases the liability is extinguished whereas the charge to equity remains but is reclassified to common shares in treasury.

Prior to July 1, 2003, written put options on equity shares of a consolidated Group company that met certain settlement criteria were also reported as obligation to purchase common shares. Beginning July 1, 2003, such written put options are reported as derivatives.

Impairment

Securities available for sale, equity method and direct investments (including investments in venture capital companies and nonmarketable equity securities), and unguaranteed lease residuals are subject to impairment reviews. An impairment charge is recorded if a decline in fair value below the asset's amortized cost or carrying value, depending on the nature of the asset, is deemed to be other than temporary.

Other intangible assets with finite useful lives and premises and equipment are also subject to impairment reviews if a change in circumstances indicates that the carrying amount of an asset may not be recoverable. If estimated undiscounted cash flows relating to an asset held and used are less than its carrying amount, an impairment charge is recorded to the extent the fair value of the asset is less than its carrying amount. For an asset to be disposed of by sale, a loss is recorded based on the lower of the asset's carrying value or fair value less cost to sell. An asset to be disposed of other than by sale is considered held and used and accounted for as such until it is disposed of.

As of January 1, 2002, goodwill and other intangible assets which are not amortized are tested for impairment at least annually. Prior to January 1, 2002, goodwill was subject to an impairment review if a change in circumstances indicated that its carrying amount may not be recoverable.

Expense Recognition

Direct and incremental costs related to underwriting and advisory services and origination of loans are deferred and recognized together with the related revenue. Loan origination costs are netted against loan origination fees and are amortized to interest revenue over the contractual life of the related loans. Other operating costs, including advertising costs, are recognized as incurred.

Income Taxes

The Group recognizes the current and deferred tax consequences of all transactions that have been recognized in the consolidated financial statements using the provisions of the appropriate jurisdictions' tax laws. Deferred tax assets and liabilities are recognized for the future tax consequences attributable to differences between the financial statement carrying amounts of existing assets and liabilities and their respective tax bases, net operating loss carryforwards and tax credits. The amount of deferred tax assets is reduced by a valuation allowance, if necessary, to the amount that, based on available evidence, management believes will more likely than not be realized.

Deferred tax liabilities and assets are adjusted for the effect of changes in tax laws and rates in the period that includes the enactment date.

Share-Based Compensation

Effective January 1, 2003, the Group adopted the fair-value-based method prospectively for all employee awards granted, modified or settled after January 1, 2003. Under the fair-value-based method, compensation cost is measured at the grant date based on the fair value of the share-based award. The fair values of stock option awards are estimated using a Black-Scholes option pricing model. For share awards, the fair value is the quoted market price of the share reduced by the present value of the expected dividends that will not be received by the employee and adjusted for the effect, if any, of restrictions beyond the vesting date. Prior to January 1, 2003, the Group accounted for its share awards under the intrinsic-value-based method of accounting. Under this method, compensation expense is the excess, if any, of the quoted market price of the shares at grant date or other measurement date over the amount an employee must pay, if any, to acquire the shares.

The following table illustrates what the effect on net income and earnings per common share would have been if the Group had applied the fair value method to all share-based awards.

| in € m. | Dec 31, 2003 | Dec 31, 2002 | Dec 31, 2001 |
|--|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| Net income, as reported | 1,365 | 397 | 167 |
| Add: Share-based compensation expense included in reported net income, net of related tax effects | 433 | 228 | 671 |
| Deduct: Share-based compensation expense determined under fair value method for all awards, net of related tax effects | (346) | (478) | (875) |
| Pro forma net income (loss) | 1,452 | 147 | (37) |
| in € | | | |
| Earnings (loss) per share | | | |
| Basic – as reported | 2.44 | 0.64 | 0.27 |
| Basic – pro forma | 2.60 | 0.24 | (0.06) |
| Diluted – as reported | 2.31 | 0.63 | 0.27 |
| Diluted – pro forma | 2.46 | 0.23 | (0.06) |

The Group records its obligations under outstanding deferred share awards and stock option awards in shareholders' equity as share awards – common shares issuable. The related deferred compensation is also included in shareholders' equity. These items are classified in shareholders' equity based on the Group's intent to settle these awards with its common shares. Compensation expense is recorded on a straight-line basis over the period in which employees perform services to which the awards relate. Compensation expense is reversed in the period an award is forfeited. Compensation expense for share-based awards payable in cash is remeasured based on the underlying share price changes and the related obligations are included in other liabilities until paid.

See Note [20] to the consolidated financial statements for additional information on specific award provisions and the fair values and significant assumptions used to estimate the fair values of options.

Comprehensive Income

Comprehensive income is defined as the change in equity of an entity excluding transactions with shareholders such as the issuance of common or preferred shares, payment of dividends and purchase of treasury shares. Comprehensive income has two major components: net income, as reported in the Consolidated Statement of Income, and other comprehensive income as reported in the Consolidated Statement of Comprehensive Income. Other comprehensive income includes such items as unrealized gains and losses from translating net investments in foreign operations net of related hedge effects, unrealized gains and losses from changes in fair value of securities available for sale, net of deferred income taxes and the related adjustments to insurance policyholder liabilities and deferred acquisition costs, minimum pension liability, and the effective portions of realized and unrealized gains and losses from derivatives used as cash flow hedges, less amounts reclassified to earnings in combination with the hedged items. Comprehensive income does not include changes in the fair value of nonmarketable equity securities, traditional credit products and other assets generally carried at cost.

Statement of Cash Flows

For purposes of the Consolidated Statement of Cash Flows, the Group's cash and cash equivalents are cash and due from banks.

Insurance Activities

Insurance Premiums – For the unit-linked business, insurance premiums consist of calculated charges for management services and mortality risk. Insurance premiums from long duration life and participating life insurance contracts are recorded when due from policyholders.

Deferred Acquisition Costs – Acquisition costs that vary with and are primarily related to the acquisition of new and renewed insurance contracts, principally commissions, certain underwriting and agency expenses and the costs of issuing policies, are deferred to the extent that they are recoverable from future earnings. Deferred acquisition costs for nonlife insurance business are amortized over the premium-paying period of the related policies. Deferred acquisition costs for life business are generally amortized over the life of the insurance contract or at a constant rate based upon the present value of estimated gross profits or estimated gross margins expected to be realized. Deferred acquisition costs are reported in other assets related to insurance business.

Unit-Linked Business – Reserves for unit-linked business represent funds, for which the investment risk is borne by, and the investment income and investment gains and losses accrue directly to, the contract holders. Reserves for unit-linked business are reported as insurance policy claims and reserves. The assets related to these accounts are legally segregated and are not subject to claims that arise out of any other business of the Group. The separate account assets are carried at fair value as other assets related to insurance business. Deposits received under unit-linked business have been reduced for amounts assessed for management services and risk premiums. Deposits, net investment income, realized and unrealized investment gains and losses for these accounts are excluded from revenues and related liability increases are excluded from expenses.

Other Insurance Policy Claims and Reserves – In addition to the reserve for unit-linked business, the liability for insurance policy claims and reserves includes benefit reserves and other insurance policy provisions and liabilities. Benefit reserves for life insurance, annuities and health policies are computed based upon mortality, morbidity, persistency and interest rate assumptions applicable to these coverages, including provisions for adverse deviation. These assumptions consider Group experience and industry standards and may be revised if it is determined that future experience will differ substantially from those previously assumed.

Reserves for participating life insurance contracts include provisions for terminal dividends. Unrealized holding gains and losses from investments are included in benefit reserves to the extent that the policyholders will participate in such gains and losses once realized on the basis of statutory or contractual regulations. In determining insurance reserves, the Group performs a continuing review of its overall position, its reserving techniques and possible recoveries. Since the reserves are based on estimates, the ultimate liability may be more or less than carried reserves. The effects of changes in such estimated reserves are included in earnings in the period in which the estimates are changed. Other insurance provisions and liabilities primarily represent liabilities for self-insured risks.

[2] Cumulative Effect of Accounting Changes

SFAS 150

Effective July 1, 2003, the Group adopted SFAS No. 150, "Accounting for Certain Instruments with Characteristics of Both Liabilities and Equity" ("SFAS 150"). SFAS 150 requires that an entity classify as liabilities (or assets in some circumstances) certain financial instruments with characteristics of both liabilities and equity. SFAS 150 applies to certain freestanding financial instruments that embody an obligation for the entity and that may require the entity to issue shares, or redeem or repurchase its shares.

SFAS 150 changed the accounting for outstanding forward purchases of approximately 52 million Deutsche Bank common shares with a weighted-average strike price of € 56.17 which were entered into to satisfy obligations under employee share-based compensation awards. The Group recognized an after-tax gain of € 11 million, net of € 5 million tax expense, as a cumulative effect of a change in accounting principle as these contracts were adjusted to fair value upon adoption of SFAS 150. The contracts were then amended effective July 1, 2003, to allow for physical settlement only. This resulted in a charge to shareholders' equity of € 2.9 billion and the establishment of a corresponding liability classified as obligation to purchase common shares. Settlements of the forward contracts during the year have reduced the obligation to purchase common shares to € 2.3 billion as of December 31, 2003. Since July 1, 2003, the costs of these contracts have been recorded as interest expense instead of as a direct reduction of shareholders' equity.

The accounting for physically settled forward contracts reduces shareholders' equity, which effectively results in the shares being accounted for as if retired or in treasury even though the shares are still outstanding. As such, SFAS 150 also requires that the number of outstanding shares associated with physically settled forward purchase

contracts be removed from the denominator in computing basic and diluted earnings per share (EPS). The number of weighted average shares deemed no longer outstanding for EPS purposes for the year ended December 31, 2003, related to the forward purchase contracts described above is 23 million shares.

FIN 46

FASB Interpretation No. 46, "Consolidation of Variable Interest Entities" ("FIN 46") was issued in January 2003. FIN 46 requires a company to consolidate entities as the primary beneficiary if the equity investment at risk is not sufficient for the entity to finance its activities without additional subordinated financial support from other parties or if the equity investors lack essential characteristics of a controlling financial interest. Securitization vehicles that are qualifying special purpose entities are excluded from the new rule and remain unconsolidated.

The Interpretation was effective immediately for entities established after January 31, 2003, and for interests obtained in variable interest entities after that date. For variable interest entities created before February 1, 2003, FIN 46 was originally effective for the Group on July 1, 2003. In October 2003, the FASB deferred the effective date so that, for the Group, application could be deferred for some or all such variable interest entities until December 31, 2003, pending resolution of various matters and the issuance of clarifying guidance. At July 1, 2003, the Group elected not to apply FIN 46 to a limited number of variable interest entities created before February 1, 2003, which it believed might not require consolidation at December 31, 2003. The Group applied FIN 46 to substantially all other variable interest entities as of July 1, 2003. Consequently, the Group recorded a € 140 million gain as a cumulative effect of a change in accounting principle and total assets increased by € 18 billion. Effective December 31, 2003, the Group has fully adopted FIN 46. There was no significant effect from the application of FIN 46 to those variable interest entities for which adoption occurred after July 1, 2003.

The entities consolidated as a result of applying FIN 46 were primarily multi-seller commercial paper conduits that the Group administers in the Corporate and Investment Bank Group Division, and mutual funds offered by the Private Clients and Asset Management Group Division for which the Group guarantees the value of units investors purchase.

Upon adoption at July 1, 2003, € 12 billion of the increase in total assets was due to the consolidation of the multi-seller commercial paper conduits. Subsequently, certain of these conduits with total assets of € 4 billion were restructured and accordingly deconsolidated.

The beneficial interests of the investors in the guaranteed value mutual funds are reported as other liabilities and totaled € 15 billion at December 31, 2003. The assets of the funds consist primarily of trading assets in the amount of € 13 billion. The net revenues of these funds due to investors totaled € 115 million for the six months ended December 31, 2003. These net revenues of the funds consist of € 179 million of net interest revenues, negative trading revenues of € 20 million and € 44 million of expenses for fund administration. The obligation to pass the net revenues to the investors is recorded as an increase in the beneficial interest obligation in other liabilities and a corresponding charge to other revenues in the amount of € 115 million.

Certain entities were de-consolidated as a result of applying FIN 46, primarily investment vehicles and trusts associated with trust preferred securities that the Group sponsors where the investors bear the economic risks. The gain from the application of FIN 46 primarily represents the reversal of the impact on earnings of securities held by the investment vehicles that were de-consolidated.

SFAS 141 and 142

Effective January 1, 2002, the Group adopted SFAS No. 141, "Business Combinations" ("SFAS 141") and SFAS No. 142, "Goodwill and Other Intangible Assets" ("SFAS 142"). SFAS 141 requires that all business combinations initiated after June 30, 2001 be accounted for by the purchase method and eliminates the use of the pooling-of-interests method. Other provisions of SFAS 141 and SFAS 142 require that, as of January 1, 2002, goodwill no longer be amortized, reclassifications between goodwill and other intangible assets be made based upon certain criteria, and, once allocated to reporting units (the business segment level, or one level below), that tests for impairment of goodwill be performed at least annually. Upon adoption of the requirements of SFAS 142 as of January 1, 2002, the Group discontinued the amortization of goodwill with a net carrying amount of € 8.7 billion. Upon adoption, the Group recognized a € 37 million tax-free gain as a cumulative effect of a change in accounting principle from the write-off of negative goodwill and there were no reclassifications between goodwill and other intangible assets. SFAS 142 does not require retroactive restatement for all periods presented, however, pro forma information for 2001 is provided (see Note 12) and assumes that SFAS 142 was in effect as of January 1, 2001.

SFAS 133

Effective January 1, 2001, the Group adopted SFAS 133, "Accounting for Derivative Instruments and Hedging Activities" ("SFAS 133"). SFAS 133, as amended, establishes accounting and reporting standards for derivative instruments, including certain derivative instruments embedded in other contracts, and for hedging activities. It requires companies to recognize all derivatives within the scope of SFAS 133 on the balance sheet as assets or liabilities measured at fair value. The change in a derivative's fair value is recognized in current period earnings or shareholders' equity. Upon adoption of SFAS 133, the Group recorded a net transition expense of € 207 million, net of an income tax benefit of € 118 million, as a cumulative effect of a change in accounting principle. This amount was primarily due to the adjustment required to bring certain embedded derivatives to fair value and to adjust the carrying amount of the related host contracts (items in which the derivatives are embedded) at January 1, 2001, pursuant to the SFAS 133 transition provisions for embedded derivatives that must be accounted for separately. As permitted by SFAS 133, upon adoption the Group transferred debt securities with a fair value of € 22,101 million from securities available for sale to trading assets and recognized the related unrealized gains of € 150 million in earnings for the year ended December 31, 2001.

EITF 99-20

Effective April 1, 2001, the Group adopted EITF Issue No. 99-20 "Recognition of Interest Income and Impairment on Purchased and Retained Beneficial Interests in Securitized Financial Assets" ("EITF 99-20"). EITF 99-20 provides guidance regarding income recognition and determination of impairment on certain asset-backed securities held as investments, with particular impact on those investments held outside of trading accounts. The adoption of EITF 99-20 did not have a material impact on the Group's consolidated financial statements and did not result in a cumulative effect of a change in accounting principle.

[3] Acquisitions and Dispositions

For the years ended December 31, 2003 and 2002, gains (losses) on dispositions were € 513 million and € 755 million, respectively. The Group's significant acquisitions and dispositions for the years ended December 31, 2003 and 2002 are discussed below.

In July 2003 the Tele Columbus Group, a consolidated subsidiary in the Corporate Investments Group Division, was sold. In connection with the sale, the Group recognized a loss of € 115 million.

In March of 2003, the Group acquired the Swiss private bank Rued, Blass & Cie AG Bankgeschaef. The acquisition resulted in the recording of goodwill and intangible assets of € 59 million and € 10 million, respectively.

In February 2003, the Group completed the sale of 80% of its late-stage private equity portfolio, which had been managed under the Corporate Investments Group Division. Prior to the sale, the private equity portfolio was written down to its fair value.

In January 2003, the Group completed the sale of most of its Passive Asset Management business to Northern Trust Corporation resulting in a gain of € 55 million.

In 2003, the Group recognized a gain of € 583 million related to the sale of its Global Securities Services business. In January 2003, the Group sold substantial parts of this business to State Street Corporation. The business units included in the sale were Global Custody, Global Funds Services (including Depotbank Services), and Agency Securities Lending. In addition, Domestic Custody and Securities Clearing in the U.S. and the United Kingdom were included. The completion of the sale of the Italian and Austrian parts of the business occurred in the third quarter of 2003 in a separate but related transaction.

In January 2003, part of the German commercial real estate financing activities were transferred to EUROHYPO AG. This increased the Group's share of EUROHYPO AG to 37.7%. EUROHYPO AG resulted from the merger in 2002 of the Group's former mortgage banking subsidiary "EUROHYPO AG Europäische Hypothekenbank der Deutschen Bank" with the mortgage banking subsidiaries of Dresdner Bank AG and Commerzbank AG. This transaction resulted in a deconsolidation from the Group's consolidated financial statements. Together with the related contribution of part of the Group's London-based real estate investment banking business to EUROHYPO AG, the Group recognized a net gain of € 438 million in 2002. After the merger, the Group's share in the combined entity was 34.6%. Since the merger in August 2002, the Group has accounted for this investment under the equity method.

In 2003, the Group recognized a loss of € 57 million related to the sale of most of the remaining assets of its commercial finance operation in North America. During 2001, the Group had committed to a plan to dispose of this operation and, therefore, the business was valued at the lower of carrying value or fair value less cost to sell, resulting in a € 80 million charge. During 2002, the commercial and consumer finance businesses of Deutsche Financial Services were sold resulting in an additional net loss of € 236 million.

In the second quarter of 2002, the Group purchased Zurich Scudder Investments, Inc., the Scudder asset management business. This transaction was treated as an exchange of the Group's German insurance holding

company Versicherungsholding der Deutschen Bank Aktiengesellschaft (Deutscher Herold) and a net cash payment of approximately € 1.7 billion for Scudder. The purchase resulted in goodwill of approximately € 1.0 billion and indefinite useful life intangible assets of € 1.1 billion. In addition, Deutsche Bank sold insurance subsidiaries domiciled in Spain, Italy, and Portugal. These transactions resulted in gains of € 494 million in Private & Business Clients and € 8 million in Asset and Wealth Management.

In April 2002, the Group acquired RoPro U.S. Holding, Inc., which is the holding company for the U.S.-based real estate investment manager RREEF. The purchase price for this acquisition amounted to approximately U.S.\$ 501 million. Goodwill amounted to U.S.\$ 306 million.

The acquisitions and disposals that occurred in 2003 had no significant impact on the Group's total assets.

[4] Trading Assets and Trading Liabilities

The components of these accounts are as follows:

| in € m. | Dec 31, 2003 | Dec 31, 2002 |
|---|----------------|----------------|
| Bonds and other fixed-income securities | 204,324 | 175,042 |
| Equity shares and other variable-yield securities | 66,306 | 47,354 |
| Positive market values from derivative financial instruments ¹ | 65,460 | 65,729 |
| Other trading assets | 9,281 | 6,554 |
| Total trading assets | 345,371 | 294,679 |
| Bonds and other fixed-income securities | 66,685 | 51,124 |
| Equity shares and other variable-yield securities | 25,382 | 17,987 |
| Negative market values from derivative financial instruments ¹ | 61,167 | 62,101 |
| Total trading liabilities | 153,234 | 131,212 |

¹ Derivatives under master netting agreements are shown net.

[5] Securities Available for Sale

The fair value, amortized cost and gross unrealized holding gains and losses for the Group's securities available for sale follow:

| in € m. | Fair Value | Gross Unrealized Holding | | Dec 31, 2003 |
|--|---------------|--------------------------|--------------|----------------|
| | | Gains | Losses | Amortized Cost |
| Debt securities | | | | |
| German government | 2,802 | 52 | (23) | 2,773 |
| U.S. Treasury and U.S. government agencies | 150 | – | (1) | 151 |
| U.S. local (municipal) governments | 2 | – | – | 2 |
| Other foreign governments | 3,294 | 26 | (105) | 3,373 |
| Corporates | 5,646 | 173 | (45) | 5,518 |
| Other asset-backed securities | 1,679 | – | – | 1,679 |
| Mortgage-backed securities, including obligations of U.S. federal agencies | 2,708 | 1 | – | 2,707 |
| Other debt securities | 532 | – | – | 532 |
| Total debt securities | 16,813 | 252 | (174) | 16,735 |
| Equity securities | | | | |
| Equity shares | 6,866 | 1,868 | (8) | 5,006 |
| Investment certificates and mutual funds | 951 | 29 | (10) | 932 |
| Other equity securities | 1 | – | – | 1 |
| Total equity securities | 7,818 | 1,897 | (18) | 5,939 |
| Total securities available for sale | 24,631 | 2,149 | (192) | 22,674 |

| in € m. | Fair Value | Gross Unrealized Holding | | Dec 31, 2002 |
|--|---------------|--------------------------|--------------|----------------|
| | | Gains | Losses | Amortized Cost |
| Debt securities | | | | |
| German government | 396 | 20 | – | 376 |
| U.S. Treasury and U.S. government agencies | 168 | – | – | 168 |
| U.S. local (municipal) governments | 2 | – | – | 2 |
| Other foreign governments | 2,893 | 39 | (18) | 2,872 |
| Corporates | 6,400 | 231 | (47) | 6,216 |
| Other asset-backed securities | 2,977 | – | – | 2,977 |
| Mortgage-backed securities, including obligations of U.S. federal agencies | 164 | 1 | – | 163 |
| Other debt securities | 652 | 1 | (3) | 654 |
| Total debt securities | 13,652 | 292 | (68) | 13,428 |
| Equity securities | | | | |
| Equity shares | 6,441 | 757 | (596) | 6,280 |
| Investment certificates and mutual funds | 1,499 | 10 | (55) | 1,544 |
| Other equity securities | 27 | 16 | – | 11 |
| Total equity securities | 7,967 | 783 | (651) | 7,835 |
| Total securities available for sale | 21,619 | 1,075 | (719) | 21,263 |

| in € m. | Fair Value | Gross Unrealized Holding | | Dec 31, 2001 |
|--|---------------|--------------------------|----------------|----------------|
| | | Gains | Losses | Amortized Cost |
| Debt securities | | | | |
| German government | 4,339 | 66 | (9) | 4,282 |
| U.S. Treasury and U.S. government agencies | 192 | – | – | 192 |
| U.S. local (municipal) governments | 50 | – | – | 50 |
| Other foreign governments | 14,676 | 229 | (210) | 14,657 |
| Corporates | 22,116 | 643 | (193) | 21,666 |
| Other asset-backed securities | 3,189 | 12 | (2) | 3,179 |
| Mortgage-backed securities, including obligations of U.S. federal agencies | 1,083 | 21 | (1) | 1,063 |
| Other debt securities | 1,857 | 55 | (1) | 1,803 |
| Total debt securities | 47,502 | 1,026 | (416) | 46,892 |
| Equity securities | | | | |
| Equity shares | 22,600 | 10,022 | (750) | 13,328 |
| Investment certificates and mutual funds | 1,507 | 48 | (13) | 1,472 |
| Other equity securities | 57 | 36 | – | 21 |
| Total equity securities | 24,164 | 10,106 | (763) | 14,821 |
| Total securities available for sale | 71,666 | 11,132 | (1,179) | 61,713 |

At December 31, 2003, equity shares issued by DaimlerChrysler AG with a fair value of € 4.4 billion were the only securities of an individual issuer that exceeded 10% of the Group's total shareholders' equity.

The components of net gains on securities available for sale as reported in the Consolidated Statement of Income follow:

| in € m. | 2003 | 2002 | 2001 |
|---|-----------|--------------|--------------|
| Debt securities – gross realized gains | 106 | 149 | 405 |
| Debt securities – gross realized losses ¹ | (35) | (235) | (256) |
| Equity securities – gross realized gains | 488 | 4,094 | 2,376 |
| Equity securities – gross realized losses ² | (539) | (485) | (1,009) |
| Total net gains on securities available for sale | 20 | 3,523 | 1,516 |

¹ Includes € 7 million, € 156 million and € 27 million of write-downs for other-than-temporary impairment for the years ended December 31, 2003, 2002 and 2001, respectively.

² Includes € 479 million, € 152 million and € 401 million of write-downs for other-than-temporary impairment for the years ended December 31, 2003, 2002 and 2001, respectively.

On January 1, 2001, the Group transferred debt securities with a fair value of € 14.9 billion from trading assets to securities available for sale. There was no impact on earnings from this transfer which primarily involved securities issued by German and other foreign governments. Prior to 2001, these securities were risk-managed together with derivatives which were classified as trading mainly due to contemporaneous hedge documentation requirements that could not be fulfilled when initially adopting U.S. GAAP after the fact. Beginning 2001, these securities are hedged in accordance with the Group's management practices with derivatives that qualify for hedge accounting and were reclassified accordingly.

The following table shows the fair value, remaining maturities, approximate weighted-average yields (based on amortized cost) and total amortized cost by maturity distribution of the debt security components of the Group's securities available for sale at December 31, 2003:

| in € m. | Up to one year | | More than one year and up to five years | | More than five years and up to ten years | | More than ten years | | Total | |
|--|----------------|-------|---|-------|--|-------|---------------------|-------|---------------|-------|
| | Amount | Yield | Amount | Yield | Amount | Yield | Amount | Yield | Amount | Yield |
| German government | – | – | 190 | 3.16% | 322 | 4.05% | 2,290 | 5.97% | 2,802 | 5.56% |
| U.S. Treasury and U.S. government agencies | 130 | 1.75% | – | – | – | – | 20 | 7.30% | 150 | 2.52% |
| U.S. local (municipal) governments | 2 | 1.91% | – | – | – | – | – | – | 2 | 1.91% |
| Other foreign governments | 1,580 | 2.87% | 470 | 5.25% | 360 | 4.02% | 884 | 5.82% | 3,294 | 4.17% |
| Corporates | 661 | 2.84% | 1,884 | 3.49% | 908 | 3.85% | 2,193 | 6.27% | 5,646 | 4.54% |
| Other asset-backed securities | – | – | 1,679 | 3.50% | – | – | – | – | 1,679 | 3.50% |
| Mortgage-backed securities, principally obligations of U.S. federal agencies | 629 | 5.30% | 1 | 7.30% | – | – | 2,078 | 5.68% | 2,708 | 5.59% |
| Other debt securities | 448 | 1.13% | 74 | 4.46% | 10 | 8.35% | – | – | 532 | 1.73% |
| Total fair value | 3,450 | – | 4,298 | – | 1,600 | – | 7,465 | – | 16,813 | – |
| Total amortized cost | 3,394 | – | 4,263 | – | 1,617 | – | 7,461 | – | 16,735 | – |

The following table shows the Group's gross unrealized losses on securities available for sale and the fair value of the related securities, aggregated by investment category and length of time that individual securities have been in a continuous unrealized loss position, at December 31, 2003:

| in € m. | Less than 12 months | | 12 months or longer | | Total | |
|--|---------------------|-------------------|---------------------|-------------------|--------------|-------------------|
| | Fair Value | Unrealized Losses | Fair Value | Unrealized Losses | Fair Value | Unrealized Losses |
| Debt securities | | | | | | |
| German government | 2,802 | (23) | – | – | 2,802 | (23) |
| U.S. Treasury and U.S. government agencies | 18 | (1) | – | – | 18 | (1) |
| Other foreign governments | 2,191 | (105) | – | – | 2,191 | (105) |
| Corporates | 1,614 | (19) | 715 | (26) | 2,329 | (45) |
| Total debt securities | 6,625 | (148) | 715 | (26) | 7,340 | (174) |
| Equity securities | | | | | | |
| Equity shares | 9 | (4) | 96 | (4) | 105 | (8) |
| Investment certificates and mutual funds | 66 | (1) | 71 | (9) | 137 | (10) |
| Total equity securities | 75 | (5) | 167 | (13) | 242 | (18) |
| Total temporarily impaired securities | 6,700 | (153) | 882 | (39) | 7,582 | (192) |

The unrealized losses on investments in debt securities were primarily interest rate related. Since the Group has the intent and ability to hold these investments until a market price recovery or maturity, they are not considered other-than-temporarily impaired. The unrealized losses on investments in equity securities are attributable primarily to general market fluctuations rather than to specific adverse conditions. Based on this and our intent and ability to hold the securities until the market price recovers, these investments are not considered other-than-temporarily impaired.

[6] Other Investments

The following table summarizes the composition of other investments:

| in € m. | Dec 31, 2003 | Dec 31, 2002 |
|---|--------------|---------------|
| Equity method investments | 6,001 | 6,039 |
| Investments held by designated investment companies | 181 | 230 |
| Other equity interests | 2,388 | 4,499 |
| Total other investments | 8,570 | 10,768 |

Equity Method Investments

The Group's pro-rata share of the investees' income or loss determined on a U.S. GAAP basis was a profit of € 42 million and a loss of € 753 million for the years ended December 31, 2003 and 2002, respectively. In addition, write-offs for other-than-temporary impairments of € 617 million and € 305 million for the years ended December 31, 2003 and 2002, respectively, were included in net loss from equity method investments.

Loans to equity method investees, trading assets related to these investees as well as debt securities available for sale issued by these investees amounted to € 5,085 million and € 5,971 million at December 31, 2003 and 2002, respectively. At December 31, 2003, loans totaling € 115 million to three equity method investees were on nonaccrual status. At December 31, 2002, loans totaling € 117 million to two equity method investees were on nonaccrual status.

At December 31, 2003, the following investees were significant representing 75% of the carrying value of equity method investments:

| Investment | Ownership |
|---|-----------|
| Atradius N.V., Amsterdam ¹ | 38.36% |
| Blackrock US Low Duration Bond Fund, Drinagh | 21.40% |
| Cassa di Risparmio di Asti S.p.A., Asti | 20.00% |
| Debra International Finance Coöperatieve U.A., Amsterdam | 25.00% |
| Deutsche European Partners IV, London | 24.46% |
| Deutsche Interhotel Holding GmbH & Co. KG, Berlin | 45.51% |
| EUROHYPO AG, Frankfurt am Main | 37.72% |
| Fondo Piramide Globale, Milan | 39.88% |
| MidOcean Partners, LP, New York | 20.00% |
| MLA Funding Limited, London ² | 94.34% |
| Santorini Investments Limited Partnership, Edinburgh ² | 51.00% |

¹ Formerly, Gerling NCM Credit and Finance AG, Köln.

² The Group does not have a controlling financial interest in these investees.

The following table provides a summary of the aggregated statement of income (on a U.S. GAAP basis) of the Group's aforementioned significant investees (excluding EUROHYPO AG, which is considered on an individual basis below).

| in € m. | 2003 | 2002 | 2001 |
|---|------------|--------------|------------|
| Interest revenues, and commissions and fees, net | 137 | 125 | 105 |
| Trading revenues, net | 282 | (493) | (4) |
| Gross profits on sales and net income from insurance business | 82 | 32 | 77 |
| Income from other investments and gains on securities available for sale, net | (126) | (6) | 10 |
| Other revenues | 64 | 40 | 144 |
| Total revenues | 439 | (302) | 332 |
| Provision for loan losses | 8 | 7 | 8 |
| Compensation and benefits | 23 | 21 | 24 |
| Other expenses | 119 | 146 | 251 |
| Total expenses | 150 | 174 | 283 |
| Income (loss) before income tax expense | 289 | (476) | 49 |
| Income tax expense | 48 | 16 | 27 |
| Net income (loss) | 241 | (492) | 22 |

The following table provides a summary of the aggregated balance sheet (on a U.S. GAAP basis) of the Group's aforementioned significant investees (excluding EUROHYPO AG, which is considered on an individual basis below).

| in € m. | Dec 31, 2003 | Dec 31, 2002 |
|---|---------------|--------------|
| Assets | | |
| Cash, deposits with banks and receivables | 1,847 | 2,632 |
| Trading assets | 380 | 463 |
| Securities available for sale and other investments | 2,792 | 1,706 |
| Loans, net | 4,022 | 951 |
| Property, plant, equipment and inventories | 822 | 754 |
| Goodwill and other intangible assets | 70 | 80 |
| Other assets | 274 | 1,069 |
| Total assets | 10,207 | 7,655 |
| Liabilities and equity | | |
| Notes payable to banks | 528 | 581 |
| Deposits received from customers | 1,263 | 1,248 |
| Long-term liabilities | 2,487 | 1,148 |
| Other liabilities and provisions | 1,862 | 2,649 |
| Minority interest | 2 | 2 |
| Capital and reserves | 3,812 | 2,557 |
| Accumulated other comprehensive income (loss) | 12 | (38) |
| Profit (loss) of the reporting period | 241 | (492) |
| Total liabilities and equity | 10,207 | 7,655 |

EUROHYPO AG

The Group's equity method investment in EUROHYPO AG is considered to be significant on an individual basis. The following table provides a summary of EUROHYPO AG's consolidated statement of income according to German GAAP for the year ended December 31, 2002 and 2001. Financial statements are not yet publicly available for the year ended December 31, 2003. The merger took place in August 2002 but was effective January 1, 2002 for German GAAP purposes. Under German GAAP, the merger was accounted for similar to a pooling of interests. The year 2001 figures below represent twelve months of pro forma information as if the merger occurred on January 1, 2001.

| in € m. | 2002 | 2001 |
|---|------------|------------|
| Net interest, commission and investment income | 1,167 | 1,166 |
| Other operating income | 63 | 210 |
| General administrative expenses | (399) | (419) |
| Write-downs, depreciation and value adjustments | (152) | (297) |
| Other expenses | (355) | (143) |
| Net income before tax | 324 | 517 |
| Income tax expense | 30 | - |
| Net income | 294 | 517 |

The following table provides a summary of EUROHYPO AG's consolidated balance sheet according to German GAAP (2001 pro forma figures):

| in € m. | Dec 31, 2002 | Dec 31, 2001 |
|---|----------------|----------------|
| Assets | | |
| Claims on banks | 21,812 | 31,578 |
| Claims on customers | 166,899 | 173,362 |
| Bonds and other fixed-income securities | 36,768 | 42,321 |
| Other assets | 2,988 | 3,466 |
| Total assets | 228,467 | 250,727 |
| Liabilities and shareholders' equity | | |
| Liabilities to banks | 30,974 | 31,559 |
| Liabilities to customers | 41,485 | 43,578 |
| Liabilities in certificate form | 145,289 | 166,755 |
| Provisions and other liabilities | 5,953 | 4,404 |
| Capital and reserves | 4,766 | 4,431 |
| Total liabilities and shareholders' equity | 228,467 | 250,727 |

Investments Held by Designated Investment Companies

The underlying investment holdings of the Group's designated investment companies are carried at fair value, and totaled € 181 million and € 230 million at December 31, 2003 and 2002, respectively.

Other Equity Interests

Other equity interests totaling € 2.4 billion and € 4.5 billion at December 31, 2003 and 2002, respectively, include investments in which the Group does not have significant influence, including certain venture capital companies and nonmarketable equity securities. The decrease of € 2.1 billion during the year ended December 31, 2003 was primarily due to sales in the Group's private equity business. The write-offs for other-than-temporary impairments of these investments amounted to € 214 million, € 423 million and € 968 million for the years ended December 31, 2003, 2002 and 2001, respectively.

[7] Loans

The following table summarizes the composition of loans:

| in € m. | Dec 31, 2003 | Dec 31, 2002 |
|-----------------------------------|----------------|----------------|
| German | | |
| Banks and insurance | 3,861 | 1,600 |
| Manufacturing | 8,668 | 9,388 |
| Households (excluding mortgages) | 14,161 | 13,768 |
| Households – mortgages | 25,445 | 25,226 |
| Public sector | 1,388 | 1,750 |
| Wholesale and retail trade | 5,133 | 4,549 |
| Commercial real estate activities | 11,629 | 15,841 |
| Lease financing | 855 | 416 |
| Other | 12,736 | 15,898 |
| Total German | 83,876 | 88,436 |
| Non-German | | |
| Banks and insurance | 6,660 | 9,120 |
| Manufacturing | 7,487 | 13,157 |
| Households (excluding mortgages) | 6,915 | 6,937 |
| Households-mortgages | 8,416 | 7,276 |
| Public sector | 921 | 2,834 |
| Wholesale and retail trade | 6,691 | 9,918 |
| Commercial real estate activities | 1,977 | 2,519 |
| Lease financing | 3,138 | 3,905 |
| Other | 22,327 | 27,768 |
| Total Non-German | 64,532 | 83,434 |
| Gross loans | 148,408 | 171,870 |
| Less: Unearned income | 181 | 250 |
| Less: Allowance for loan losses | 3,281 | 4,317 |
| Total loans, net | 144,946 | 167,303 |

The “other” category included no single industry group with aggregate borrowings from the Group in excess of 10 percent of the total loan portfolio at December 31, 2003.

Certain related third parties have obtained loans from the Group on various occasions. All such loans have been made in the ordinary course of business and on substantially the same terms, including interest rates and collateral, as those prevailing at the time for comparable transactions with unrelated persons. There were € 732 million and € 897 million of related party loans (excluding loans to equity method investees) outstanding at December 31, 2003 and 2002, respectively.

Nonaccrual loans as of December 31, 2003 and 2002 were € 6.0 billion and € 10.1 billion, respectively. Loans 90 days or more past due and still accruing interest totaled € 380 million and € 509 million as of December 31, 2003 and 2002, respectively.

Impaired Loans

This table sets forth information about the Group's impaired loans:

| in € m. | Dec 31, 2003 | Dec 31, 2002 | Dec 31, 2001 |
|--|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| Total impaired loans ¹ | 5,255 | 8,922 | 10,797 |
| Allowance for impaired loans under SFAS 114 ² | 2,471 | 3,144 | 3,720 |
| Average balance of impaired loans during the year | 6,712 | 9,710 | 10,363 |
| Interest income recognized on impaired loans during the year | 70 | 166 | 248 |

¹ Included in these amounts are € 4.1 billion, € 6.0 billion and € 8.2 billion as of December 31, 2003, 2002 and 2001, respectively, that require an allowance. The remaining impaired loans do not require an allowance because either the present value of expected future cash flows, the fair value of the underlying collateral or the market price of the loan exceeds the recorded investment in these loans.

² The allowance for impaired loans under SFAS 114 is included in the Group's allowance for loan losses.

[8] Allowances for Credit Losses

The allowances for credit losses consist of an allowance for loan losses and an allowance for credit losses on lending-related commitments.

The following table shows the activity in the Group's allowance for loan losses:

| in € m. | 2003 | 2002 | 2001 |
|--|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| Balance, beginning of year | 4,317 | 5,585 | 6,745 |
| Provision for loan losses | 1,113 | 2,091 | 1,024 |
| Net charge-offs | | | |
| Charge-offs | (1,894) | (2,728) | (2,055) |
| Recoveries | 167 | 112 | 67 |
| Total net charge-offs | (1,727) | (2,616) | (1,988) |
| Allowance related to acquisitions/divestitures | (105) | (421) | (156) |
| Foreign currency translation | (317) | (322) | (40) |
| Balance, end of year | 3,281 | 4,317 | 5,585 |

The following table shows the activity in the Group's allowance for credit losses on lending-related commitments:

| in € m. | 2003 | 2002 | 2001 |
|--|------------|------------|------------|
| Balance, beginning of year | 485 | 496 | 453 |
| Provision for credit losses | (50) | 17 | (30) |
| Net charge-offs | - | - | (22) |
| Allowance related to acquisitions/divestitures | 1 | (11) | (2) |
| Foreign currency translation | (20) | (17) | 97 |
| Balance, end of year | 416 | 485 | 496 |

[9] Asset Securitizations and Variable Interest Entities

Asset Securitizations

The Group accounts for transfers of financial assets to securitization vehicles as sales when certain criteria are met, otherwise they are accounted for as secured borrowings. These securitization vehicles then pass-through the cash flows from the financial assets by primarily issuing debt instruments to third party investors. The third party investors and the securitization vehicles generally have no recourse to the Group's other assets in cases where the issuers of the financial assets fail to perform under the original terms of those assets. The Group may retain interests in the assets created in the securitization vehicles.

For the years ended December 31, 2003, 2002 and 2001, the Group recognized € 146 million, € 91 million and € 168 million, respectively, of gains on securitizations primarily related to residential and commercial mortgage loans.

The following table summarizes certain cash flows received from and paid to securitization vehicles during 2003, 2002 and 2001:

| in € m. | Residential and Commercial Mortgage Loans | | | Commercial Loans, Excluding Mortgages | | |
|--|--|-------|-------|--|--------|--------|
| | 2003 | 2002 | 2001 | 2003 | 2002 | 2001 |
| Proceeds from new securitizations | 5,414 | 5,843 | 6,573 | – | 918 | 938 |
| Proceeds from collections reinvested in new securitization receivables | – | – | – | 1,157 | 12,177 | 18,520 |
| Servicing fees received | 5 | 14 | 15 | 1 | 44 | 85 |
| Cash flows received on retained interests | 82 | 28 | 56 | 13 | 101 | 177 |
| Other cash flows received from (paid to) securitization vehicles | – | – | – | – | (42) | (16) |

Prior to the year ended December 31, 2003, the Group had securitization activities related to marine and recreational vehicle loans. During 2002 and 2003, these commercial and consumer finance businesses were sold (see Note [3]). At December 31, 2003, the weighted-average key assumptions used in determining the fair value of retained interests, including servicing rights, and the impact of adverse changes in those assumptions on carrying amount/fair value are as follows:

| in € m. (except percentages) | Residential and Commercial Mortgage Loans | Commercial Loans, Excluding Mortgages |
|---|--|--|
| Carrying amount/fair value of retained interests | 776 | 123 |
| Prepayment speed (current assumed) | 33.48% | 1.81% |
| Impact on fair value of 10% adverse change | (10) | – |
| Impact on fair value of 20% adverse change | (17) | – |
| Default rate (current assumed) | 3.43% | 0.30% |
| Impact on fair value of 10% adverse change | (8) | – |
| Impact on fair value of 20% adverse change | (14) | (1) |
| Discount factor (current assumed) | 5.89% | 8.35% |
| Impact on fair value of 10% adverse change | (12) | (3) |
| Impact on fair value of 20% adverse change | (22) | (6) |

These sensitivities are hypothetical and should be viewed with caution. As the figures indicate, changes in fair value based on a 10 percent variation in assumptions generally should not be extrapolated because the relationship of the change in assumption to the change in fair value may not be linear. Also, in this table, the effect of a variation in a particular assumption on the fair value of the retained interest is calculated without changing any other assumptions; in reality, changes in one factor may result in changes in another (for example, increases in market interest rates may result in lower prepayments and increased credit losses), which might affect the sensitivities. The key assumptions used in measuring the initial retained interests resulting from securitizations completed in 2003 were not significantly different from the current assumptions in the above table.

In July 2003, the Group sold U.S.- and European-domiciled private equity investments with a carrying value of € 361 million as well as € 80 million in liquid investments to a securitization vehicle that was a qualifying special purpose entity. The securitization vehicle issued € 174 million of debt to unaffiliated third parties and the Group received cash proceeds of € 102 million and retained debt and equity interests initially valued at € 306 million. The Group recognized a € 7 million loss on the sale of assets to the securitization vehicle. During the year, the Group received € 2 million of cash flows from retained interests.

The initial valuation of the Group's retained interests and the valuation at December 31, 2003 were based on the fair values of the underlying investments in the securitization vehicle. For the initial valuation these fair values were provided by an independent third party. At December 31, 2003, these fair values were determined by the servicer of the securitization vehicle. The servicer is a Group related entity. In determining fair value, the servicer utilizes the valuations of the underlying investments as provided by the general partners of those respective investments. The value of securities and other financial instruments are provided by these general partners on a fair value basis of accounting. The servicer may rely upon any valuations provided to it by the general partners of the investments, but is not bound by such valuations. At December 31, 2003 the Group's retained interests were valued at € 303 million.

The private equity investments held by the securitization vehicles are subject to € 70 million funding commitments under their limited partnership agreements. These commitments are automatically funded by the securitization vehicle via the liquid investments. To hedge its interest rate and currency risk, the securitization vehicle entered into a total rate of return swap with the Group. The Group also provided a liquidity facility to meet € 168 million of servicing, administration, and interest expenses and € 8 million to meet any funding commitments.

The key assumptions used in measuring the initial retained interests resulting from securitizations completed in 2002 and 2001 were not significantly different from the key assumptions used in determining the fair value of retained interests, including servicing rights, at December 31, 2002 and 2001, respectively. The weighted-average assumptions used at December 31, 2002 and 2001 were as follows:

| | Residential and Commercial Mortgage Loans ¹ | | Commercial Loans, Excluding Mortgages ² | |
|------------------|--|--------|--|--------|
| | 2002 | 2001 | 2002 | 2001 |
| Prepayment speed | 19.20% | 12.00% | 1.66% | 26.28% |
| Default rate | 1.02% | 2.71% | 0.19% | 0.34% |
| Discount factor | 11.25% | 14.59% | 8.19% | 10.85% |

¹ Excluded from the weighted-average assumptions are retained interest for commercial mortgage interest-only bonds in the amount of € 67 million and € 146 million at December 31, 2002 and 2001, respectively. These are short duration assets valued using conservative prepayment speeds by assuming all underlying loans within the securitized pool are paid off at the earliest possible point in time after the expiration of contractual limitations.

² At December 31, 2001, included in the weighted-average assumptions are seller's certificates in the amount of € 912 million, which represent a pro-rata share of undivided interests in a pool of loans sold into a Master Trust, which do not provide direct credit enhancement to the certificates sold to investors.

The following table presents information about securitized loans, including delinquencies (loans which are 90 days or more past due) and credit losses, net of recoveries, for the years ended December 31, 2003 and 2002, respectively:

| in € m. | Residential and Commercial Mortgage Loans | | Commercial Loans, Excluding Mortgages | |
|--|---|--------|---------------------------------------|-------|
| | 2003 | 2002 | 2003 | 2002 |
| Total principal amount of loans | 14,127 | 12,409 | 1,346 | 1,266 |
| Principal amount of loans 90 days or more past due | 228 | 223 | 33 | 35 |
| Net credit losses | 2 | 24 | 3 | 3 |

The table excludes securitized loans that the Group continues to service but otherwise has no continuing involvement.

Variable Interest Entities

In the normal course of business, the Group becomes involved with variable interest entities primarily through the following types of transactions: asset securitizations, commercial paper programs, mutual funds, and commercial real estate leasing and closed-end funds. The Group's involvement includes transferring assets to the entities, entering into derivative contracts with them, providing credit enhancement and liquidity facilities, providing investment management and administrative services, and holding ownership or other investment interests in the entities.

The table below shows the aggregated assets (before consolidating eliminations) of variable interest entities consolidated as of December 31, 2003, by type of asset and entity:

| in € m. | Commercial Paper Programs | Mutual Funds | Asset Securitization and Other | Commercial Real Estate Leasing Vehicles and Closed-End Funds |
|--------------------------------------|---------------------------|---------------|--------------------------------|--|
| Assets | | | | |
| Interest-earning deposits with banks | 189 | 1,176 | 514 | 46 |
| Trading assets | 1,739 | 13,988 | 8,375 | - |
| Securities available for sale | 4,298 | - | 360 | - |
| Loans, net | 4,409 | - | 384 | 310 |
| Other | 30 | 230 | 219 | 552 |
| Total | 10,665 | 15,394 | 9,852 | 908 |

Substantially all of the consolidated assets of the variable interest entities act as collateral for related consolidated liabilities. The holders of these liabilities have no recourse to the Group, except to the extent the Group guarantees the value of the mutual fund units that investors purchase. The Group's liabilities to pay under these guarantees were not significant as of December 31, 2003. The mutual funds that the Group manages are investment vehicles that were established to provide returns to investors in the vehicles.

The commercial paper programs give clients access to liquidity in the commercial paper market. As an administrative agent for the commercial paper programs, the Group facilitates the sale of loans, other receivables, or securities from various third parties to a commercial paper entity, which then issue collateralized commercial paper to the market. The Group provides liquidity facilities to the commercial paper vehicles, but these facilities create only limited credit exposure since the Group is not required to provide funding if the assets of the vehicle are in default.

For the commercial real estate leasing vehicles and closed-end funds, third party investors essentially provide senior financing for the purchase of commercial real estate which is leased to other third parties. For asset securitization and other vehicles, the Group may retain a subordinated interest in the assets the Group securitizes or may purchase interest in the assets securitized by independent third parties.

As of December 31, 2003, the total assets and the Group's maximum exposure to loss as a result of its involvement with variable interest entities where the Group holds a significant variable interest, but does not consolidate, are as follows:

| in € m. | Dec 31, 2003 | |
|--|--------------|--------------------------|
| | Total Assets | Maximum Exposure to Loss |
| Commercial paper programs | 15,008 | 16,170 |
| Commercial real estate leasing vehicles and closed-end funds | 1,622 | 336 |
| Asset securitization and other | 1,248 | 116 |

The Group provides liquidity facilities and, to a lesser extent, guarantees to the commercial paper programs that it has a significant interest in. The Group's maximum exposure to loss from these programs is equivalent to the contract amount of its liquidity facilities since the Group cannot be obligated to fund the liquidity facilities and guarantees at the same time. The liquidity facilities create only limited credit exposure since the Group is not required to provide funding if the assets of the vehicle are in default.

For the commercial real estate leasing vehicles and closed-end funds, the Group's maximum exposure to loss results primarily from any subordinated financing or guarantees that are provided to these vehicles. For asset securitization and other vehicles, the Group's maximum exposure to loss results primarily from the risk associated with the Group's purchased and retained interests in the vehicles.

[10] Assets Pledged and Received as Collateral

The carrying value of the Group's assets pledged (primarily for borrowings, deposits, and securities loaned) as collateral where the secured party does not have the right by contract or custom to sell or repledge the Group's assets are as follows:

| in € m. | Dec 31, 2003 | Dec 31, 2002 |
|-------------------------------|---------------|---------------|
| Trading assets | 16,830 | 26,266 |
| Securities available for sale | 742 | 445 |
| Loans | 11,086 | 12,275 |
| Premises and equipment | 625 | 586 |
| Total | 29,283 | 39,572 |

At December 31, 2003 and 2002, the Group has received collateral with a fair value of € 223 billion and € 253 billion, respectively, arising from securities purchased under reverse repurchase agreements, securities borrowed, derivatives transactions, customer margin loans and other transactions, which the Group as the secured party has the right to sell or repledge. At December 31, 2003 and 2002, € 115 billion and € 154 billion, respectively, related to collateral that the Group has received and sold or repledged primarily to cover short sales, securities loaned and securities sold under repurchase agreements. These amounts exclude the impact of netting.

[11] Premises and Equipment, Net

An analysis of premises and equipment, including assets under capital leases, follows:

| in € m. | Dec 31, 2003 | Dec 31, 2002 |
|--|--------------|---------------|
| Land | 1,014 | 1,483 |
| Buildings | 4,058 | 5,842 |
| Leasehold improvements | 1,214 | 1,510 |
| Furniture and equipment | 2,495 | 3,270 |
| Purchased software | 440 | 502 |
| Self-developed software | 322 | 796 |
| Construction-in-progress | 151 | 346 |
| Total | 9,694 | 13,749 |
| Less: Accumulated depreciation | 3,908 | 4,866 |
| Premises and equipment, net¹ | 5,786 | 8,883 |

¹ Amounts at December 31, 2003 and 2002 included € 1.9 billion and € 2.4 billion, respectively, of net book value of premises and equipment held for investment purposes.

The Group is lessee under lease agreements covering real property and equipment. The future minimum lease payments, excluding executory costs, required under the Group's capital leases at December 31, 2003, were as follows:

| | |
|--|--------------|
| in € m. | |
| 2004 | 150 |
| 2005 | 145 |
| 2006 | 175 |
| 2007 | 189 |
| 2008 | 266 |
| 2009 and later | 1,238 |
| Total future minimum lease payments | 2,163 |
| Less: Amount representing interest | 771 |
| Present value of minimum lease payments | 1,392 |

At December 31, 2003, the total minimum sublease rentals to be received in the future under subleases are € 697 million. Contingent rental income incurred during the year ended December 31, 2003, was € 2 million. The future minimum lease payments, excluding executory costs, required under the Group's operating leases at December 31, 2003, were as follows:

| | |
|--|--------------|
| in € m. | |
| 2004 | 481 |
| 2005 | 393 |
| 2006 | 332 |
| 2007 | 295 |
| 2008 | 264 |
| 2009 and later | 1,074 |
| Total future minimum lease payments | 2,839 |
| Less: Minimum sublease rentals | 302 |
| Net minimum lease payments | 2,537 |

The following shows the net rental expense for all operating leases:

| | | | |
|------------------------------|-------------|------------|------------|
| in € m. | 2003 | 2002 | 2001 |
| Gross rental expense | 760 | 869 | 970 |
| Less: Sublease rental income | 61 | 97 | 79 |
| Net rental expense | 699 | 772 | 891 |

[12] Goodwill and Other Intangible Assets, Net

Goodwill impairment exists if the net book value of a reporting unit exceeds its estimated fair value. The Group's reporting units are generally consistent with the Group's business segment level, or one level below. The Group performs its annual impairment review during the fourth quarter of each year, beginning in the fourth quarter of 2002. There was no goodwill impairment in 2003 and 2002 resulting from the annual impairment review.

In 2003, a goodwill impairment loss of € 114 million related to the Private Equity reporting unit was recorded following decisions relating to the private equity fee-based business including the transfer of certain businesses to the Group's Asset and Wealth Management Corporate Division. The fair value of the business remaining in the Private Equity reporting unit was calculated using discounted cash flow models.

A goodwill impairment loss of € 62 million was recognized in the Private Equity reporting unit during 2002. A significant portion of the reporting unit was classified as held for sale during the fourth quarter of 2002 resulting in an impairment loss of the goodwill related to the remaining reporting unit.

Other Intangible Assets

An analysis of acquired other intangible assets follows:

| in € m. | Dec 31, 2003 | | | Dec 31, 2002 | | |
|---|-----------------------|--------------------------|---------------------|-----------------------|--------------------------|---------------------|
| | Gross Carrying Amount | Accumulated Amortization | Net Carrying Amount | Gross Carrying Amount | Accumulated Amortization | Net Carrying Amount |
| Amortized intangible assets | | | | | | |
| Customer contracts | 75 | 19 | 56 | 98 | 20 | 78 |
| Investment management agreements | 62 | 14 | 48 | 70 | 9 | 61 |
| Other customer-related | 48 | 15 | 33 | 57 | 14 | 43 |
| Other | 29 | 9 | 20 | 31 | 13 | 18 |
| Total | 214 | 57 | 157 | 256 | 56 | 200 |
| Unamortized intangible assets | | | | | | |
| Retail investment management agreements and other | | | 925 | | | 1,111 |
| Loan servicing rights | | | 40 | | | 100 |
| Total other intangible assets | | | 1,122 | | | 1,411 |

For the years ended December 31, 2003 and 2002, the aggregate amortization expense for other intangible assets was € 22 million and € 26 million, respectively. The estimated aggregate amortization expense for each of the succeeding five fiscal years is approximately € 17 million per year.

For the year ended December 31, 2003, the Group acquired the following other intangible assets:

| in € m. | Additions in current year | Weighted-Average Amortization Period |
|--------------------------------------|---------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| Amortized intangible assets | | |
| Other customer-related | 5 | 5 years |
| Other | 10 | 10 years |
| Total | 15 | 8 years |
| Total other intangible assets | 15 | |

For the year ended December 31, 2002, the net carrying amount of other intangibles increased by € 1,205 million, mainly due to the acquisitions of Scudder and RREEF, which contributed € 1,161 million and € 82 million, respectively.

Goodwill

All goodwill has been allocated to reporting units. From the beginning of 2003, the Group revised its management reporting systems to reflect changes in the organizational structure of its divisions and to reflect changes in management responsibility for certain businesses as described in Note [28]. The prior period goodwill amounts have been restated to conform to the current year's presentation. The changes in the carrying amount of goodwill by segment for the years ended December 31, 2003 and 2002 are as follows:

| in € m. | Corporate Banking & Securities | Global Transaction Banking | Asset and Wealth Management | Private & Business Clients | Corporate Investments | Total |
|--|--------------------------------------|----------------------------------|-----------------------------------|----------------------------------|--------------------------|--------------|
| Balance as of January 1, 2002 | 4,350 | 725 | 2,184 | 247 | 1,235 | 8,741 |
| Purchase accounting adjustments | (6) | – | (27) | (3) | – | (36) |
| Goodwill acquired during the year | 34 | 8 | 1,460 | 15 | 44 | 1,561 |
| Impairment losses | – | – | – | – | (62) | (62) |
| Goodwill related to dispositions | (13) | – | – | (13) | (525) | (551) |
| Effects from exchange rate fluctuations | (634) | (98) | (452) | – | (97) | (1,281) |
| Balance as of December 31, 2002 | 3,731 | 635 | 3,165 | 246 | 595 | 8,372 |
| Purchase accounting adjustments | – | – | 14 | – | – | 14 |
| Goodwill acquired during the year | 2 | 1 | 112 | 4 | – | 119 |
| Impairment losses | – | – | – | – | (114) | (114) |
| Goodwill related to dispositions | – | (133) | (51) | – | (382) | (566) |
| Effects from exchange rate fluctuations | (572) | (75) | (417) | (16) | (10) | (1,090) |
| Balance as of December 31, 2003 | 3,161 | 428 | 2,823 | 234 | 89 | 6,735 |

The additions to goodwill of € 119 million for the year ended December 31, 2003 are mainly due to the acquisition of Rued, Blass & Cie AG Bankgeschaef, which contributed € 59 million.

The additions to goodwill of € 1,561 million for the year ended December 31, 2002 are mainly due to the acquisitions of Scudder and RREEF, which contributed € 1,024 million and € 344 million, respectively.

Goodwill and Other Intangible Assets-Adoption of SFAS 142

Prior to the adoption of SFAS 142, the Group amortized goodwill on a straight-line basis over a period not exceeding fifteen years. The historical results for 2001 do not reflect the provisions of SFAS 142. Had the Group adopted SFAS 142 in prior years, the historical net income and basic and diluted net income per common share would have been as follows:

| in € m. | 2001 |
|--|------|
| Net Income | |
| Reported net income | 167 |
| Add back: goodwill amortization net of negative goodwill | 784 |
| Add back: equity method goodwill amortization | 18 |
| Add back: other intangible assets amortization | 7 |
| Adjusted net income | 976 |

| in € | 2001 |
|---|--------|
| Basic earnings per share | |
| Income before cumulative effect of accounting changes, net of tax | 0.60 |
| Cumulative effect of accounting changes, net of tax | (0.33) |
| Reported net income | 0.27 |
| Add back: goodwill amortization net of negative goodwill | 1.26 |
| Add back: equity method goodwill amortization | 0.03 |
| Add back: other intangible assets amortization | 0.01 |
| Adjusted net income | 1.57 |

| in € | 2001 |
|---|--------|
| Diluted earnings per share | |
| Income before cumulative effect of accounting changes, net of tax | 0.60 |
| Cumulative effect of accounting changes, net of tax | (0.33) |
| Reported net income | 0.27 |
| Add back: goodwill amortization net of negative goodwill | 1.26 |
| Add back: equity method goodwill amortization | 0.03 |
| Add back: other intangible assets amortization | 0.01 |
| Adjusted net income | 1.57 |

[13] Assets Held for Sale

During 2003, the Group decided to sell subsidiaries and investments in the Corporate Investments, Global Transaction Banking, Private and Business Clients and Asset and Wealth Management segments. The net assets for these subsidiaries and investments were written down to the lower of their carrying value or fair value less cost to sell resulting in a loss of € 32 million.

During 2002, the Group decided to sell certain businesses in the Global Transaction Banking, Asset and Wealth Management and Corporate Investment segments. The net assets for these businesses, most of which are reported as other investments, were written down to the lower of their carrying value or fair value less cost to sell resulting in a loss of € 217 million for the year ended December 31, 2002.

[14] Deposits

The components of deposits are as follows:

| in € m. | Dec 31, 2003 | Dec 31, 2002 |
|---|----------------|----------------|
| German offices | | |
| Noninterest-bearing demand deposits | 22,371 | 21,960 |
| Interest-bearing deposits | | |
| Demand deposits | 24,787 | 28,635 |
| Certificates of deposit | 665 | 199 |
| Savings deposits | 24,147 | 24,419 |
| Other time deposits | 33,194 | 41,780 |
| Total interest-bearing deposits | 82,793 | 95,033 |
| Total deposits in German offices | 105,164 | 116,993 |
| Non-German offices | | |
| Noninterest-bearing demand deposits | 5,797 | 8,598 |
| Interest-bearing deposits | | |
| Demand deposits | 57,463 | 71,408 |
| Certificates of deposit | 20,696 | 25,027 |
| Savings deposits | 6,419 | 6,826 |
| Other time deposits | 110,615 | 98,773 |
| Total interest-bearing deposits | 195,193 | 202,034 |
| Total deposits in non-German offices | 200,990 | 210,632 |
| Total deposits | 306,154 | 327,625 |

The following table summarizes the maturities of time deposits with a remaining term of more than one year as of December 31, 2003:

| By remaining maturities in € m. | Due in 2005 | Due in 2006 | Due in 2007 | Due in 2008 | Due after 2008 |
|------------------------------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|-------------------|
| Certificates of deposits | 2,386 | 96 | 133 | 306 | 865 |
| Other time deposits | 3,530 | 2,130 | 1,485 | 1,745 | 7,876 |

Related party deposits amounted to € 1,050 million and € 2,170 million at December 31, 2003 and 2002, respectively.

[15] Other Short-term Borrowings

Short-term borrowings are borrowed funds generally with an original maturity of one year or less. Components of other short-term borrowings include:

| in € m. | Dec 31, 2003 | Dec 31, 2002 |
|------------------|---------------|---------------|
| Commercial paper | 13,150 | 4,320 |
| Other | 9,140 | 7,253 |
| Total | 22,290 | 11,573 |

[16] Long-term Debt

The Group issues fixed and floating rate long-term debt denominated in various currencies, approximately half of which is denominated in euros.

The following table is a summary of the Group's long-term debt:

| By remaining maturities in € m. | Due in 2004 | Due in 2005 | Due in 2006 | Due in 2007 | Due in 2008 | Due after 2008 | December 31, 2003 Total | December 31, 2002 Total |
|---------------------------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|--------------|----------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|
| Senior debt | | | | | | | | |
| Bonds and notes | | | | | | | | |
| Fixed rate | 7,073 | 5,586 | 4,708 | 4,761 | 2,574 | 22,662 | 47,364 | 52,613 |
| Floating rate | 7,370 | 5,018 | 4,422 | 5,274 | 4,556 | 10,577 | 37,217 | 42,046 |
| Subordinated debt | | | | | | | | |
| Bonds and notes ¹ | | | | | | | | |
| Fixed rate | 791 | 165 | 1,016 | 507 | 306 | 7,594 | 10,379 | 7,190 |
| Floating rate | 228 | 56 | – | 508 | 97 | 1,631 | 2,520 | 2,206 |
| Total | 15,462 | 10,825 | 10,146 | 11,050 | 7,533 | 42,464 | 97,480 | 104,055 |

¹ Includes DM 1.4 billion in nominal amounts of bearer participatory certificates which matured on December 31, 2003. This certificate carries an annual dividend rate of 8.75%, and will be redeemed, subject to the stipulations on loss participation on June 30, 2004. The dividend has priority over the rights of shareholders to share in the Group profits.

Based solely on the contractual terms of the debt issues, the following table represents the range of interest rates payable on this debt for the periods specified:

| | Dec 31, 2003 | Dec 31, 2002 |
|----------------------------|----------------|----------------|
| Senior debt | | |
| Bonds and notes | | |
| Fixed rate ¹ | 0.00% – 31.63% | 0.04% – 16.00% |
| Floating rate ¹ | 0.00% – 21.11% | 0.02% – 13.00% |
| Subordinated debt | | |
| Bonds and notes | | |
| Fixed rate | 0.81% – 10.50% | 1.71% – 10.50% |
| Floating rate | 0.74% – 8.00% | 0.27% – 8.00% |

¹ The lower and higher end of the range of interest rates relate to some transactions where the contractual rates are shown excluding the effect of embedded derivatives.

Fixed rate debt outstanding at December 31, 2003 matures at various dates through 2051. The weighted-average interest rates on fixed rate debt at December 31, 2003 and 2002 were 5.23% and 4.68%, respectively. Floating rate debt outstanding at December 31, 2003 matures at various dates through 2050 excluding € 1,898 million with undefined maturities. The weighted-average interest rates on floating rate debt at December 31, 2003 and 2002 were 2.58% and 3.01%, respectively. The weighted-average interest rates for total long-term debt were 3.97% and 3.95% at December 31, 2003 and 2002, respectively.

The interest rates for the floating rate debt issues are generally based on LIBOR, although in certain instances they are subject to minimum interest rates as specified in the agreements governing the respective issues.

The Group enters into various transactions related to the debt it issues. This debt may be traded for market-making purposes or held for a period of time. Purchases of the debt are accounted for as extinguishments; however, the resulting net gains (losses) during 2003 and 2002 were insignificant.

[17] Trust Preferred Securities

The Group formed 15 statutory business trusts, including BT Capital Trust B and BT Preferred Capital Trust II, of which the Group owns all of the common securities. These trusts exist for the sole purpose of issuing cumulative and noncumulative trust preferred securities and investing the proceeds thereof in an equivalent amount of junior subordinated debentures or noncumulative preferred securities, respectively, issued by the Group. Prior to July 1, 2003, the Group consolidated these trusts. Effective July 1, 2003, the Group deconsolidated these trusts as a result of the application of FIN 46. Subsequent to the application of FIN 46, the junior subordinated debentures and noncumulative preferred securities issued by the Group to the trusts are included in long-term debt as of December 31, 2003.

The Group's trust preferred securities at December 31, 2002 totaled € 3.1 billion, comprised of € 1.0 billion cumulative trust preferred securities (net of deferred issuance costs and unamortized discount) and € 2.1 billion noncumulative trust preferred securities.

[18] Obligation to Purchase Common Shares

As of December 31, 2003, the obligation to purchase common shares amounted to € 2,310 million and represented forward purchase contracts covering approximately 44.3 million Deutsche Bank common shares with a weighted-average strike price of € 52.18 entered into to satisfy obligations under employee share-based compensation awards.

Contracts covering 3.1 million shares mature in less than one year. The remaining contracts covering 41.2 million shares have maturities between one and five years.

The Group entered into forward purchases and sold put options of Deutsche Bank common shares as part of a share buy-back program in 2002. During 2002, 900,000 shares were acquired via exercise of written put options and no written put options were outstanding at December 31, 2002. As of December 31, 2002, forward purchase of € 4.3 millions shares were outstanding. These forward purchase contracts were settled in April 2003 and the shares acquired were accounted for as treasury shares and then retired in May 2003.

[19] Mandatorily Redeemable Shares and Minority Interests in Limited Life Entities

Other liabilities included € 62 million, representing the settlement amount as of December 31, 2003 for minority interest in limited life subsidiaries and mutual funds. These entities have termination dates between 2023 and 2103. Included in long-term debt and short-term borrowings are € 4,164 million related to mandatorily redeemable shares. The amount to be paid if settlement were at December 31, 2003 was € 4,167 million. These mandatorily redeemable shares are primarily due between 2004 and 2033. The majority of interest paid on the redeemable shares is at fixed rates between 2.95%–6.33% with the remainder paid at variable rates, which are based on LIBOR or the tax-adjusted US dollar swap rate.

[20] Common Shares and Share-Based Compensation Plans

Deutsche Bank's share capital consists of common shares issued in registered form without par value. Under German law, no par value shares are deemed to have a "nominal" value equal to the total amount of share capital divided by the number of shares. The Group's shares have a nominal value of € 2.56.

Common share activity was as follows:

| Number of shares | 2003 | 2002 | 2001 |
|---|----------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| Common shares outstanding, beginning of year | 585,446,954 | 614,475,625 | 614,600,765 |
| Shares issued under employee benefit plans | – | 285,800 | 5,054,400 |
| Shares retired | (40,000,000) | – | – |
| Shares purchased for treasury | (464,939,509) | (474,184,113) | (447,045,982) |
| Shares sold or distributed from treasury | 484,569,718 | 444,869,642 | 441,866,442 |
| Common shares outstanding, end of year | 565,077,163 | 585,446,954 | 614,475,625 |

Shares purchased for treasury consist of shares held for a period of time by the Group as well as any shares purchased with the intention of being resold in the short term. In addition, beginning in 2002, the Group launched share buy-back programs. Shares acquired under these programs are deemed to be retired or used for share-based compensation. The 2002 program was completed in April 2003 resulting in the retirement of 40 million shares. The second buy-back program started in September 2003. All such transactions were recorded in shareholders' equity and no revenue was recorded in connection with these activities.

Authorized and Conditional Capital

Deutsche Bank's share capital may be increased by issuing new shares for cash and in some circumstances for noncash consideration. At December 31, 2003, Deutsche Bank had authorized but unissued capital of € 686,000,000 which may be issued at various dates through April 30, 2008 as follows:

| Authorized Capital | Authorized Capital excluding Shareholders' Pre-Emptive Rights | Expiration Date |
|----------------------------|---|-----------------|
| € 300,000,000 | – | April 30, 2004 |
| – | € 30,000,000 | May 31, 2005 |
| € 128,000,000 ¹ | – | April 30, 2006 |
| € 100,000,000 | – | April 30, 2007 |
| € 128,000,000 ¹ | – | April 30, 2008 |

¹ Capital increase may be effected for noncash contributions with the intent of acquiring a company or holdings in companies.

Deutsche Bank also had conditional capital of € 226,173,391. Conditional capital includes various instruments that may potentially be converted into common shares. At December 31, 2003, € 80,000,000 of conditional capital was available for participatory certificates with warrants and/or convertible participatory certificates, bonds with warrants, and convertible bonds which may be issued in one or more issuances on or before April 30, 2004. In addition, € 51,200,000 was for option rights available for grant until May 10, 2003 and € 64,000,000 for option rights available for grant until May 20, 2005 under the DB Global Partnership Plan. Also, the Board of Managing Directors was authorized at the shareholders' meeting on May 17, 2001 to issue, with the consent of the Supervisory Board, up to 12,000,000 option rights on Deutsche Bank shares on or before December 31, 2003. For this purpose there was a conditional capital of € 30,973,391 of which € 9,292,250 was used under the DB Global Share Plan. These plans are described below.

Share-Based Compensation

Effective January 1, 2003, the Group adopted the fair-value-based method under SFAS 123 prospectively for all employee awards granted, modified or settled after January 1, 2003, excluding those related to the 2002 performance year. Prior to this the Group applied the intrinsic-value-based provisions of APB 25. Compensation expense for share-based awards is included in compensation and benefits on the Consolidated Statement of Income. See Note 1 for a discussion on the Group's accounting for share-based compensation.

In accordance with the requirements of SFAS 123, the pro forma disclosures relating to net income and earnings per common share as if the Group had always applied the fair-value-based method are provided in Note [1].

The Group's share-based compensation plans currently used for granting new awards are summarized in the table below. These plans, and those plans no longer used for granting new awards, are described in more detail in the text that follows:

| Plan Name | Eligibility | Vesting Period* | Expense Treatment | Equity or Equity Units | Performance Options/ Partnership Appreciation Rights |
|---------------------------------------|--------------------------------|-----------------|-------------------|------------------------|--|
| Share-based Compensation Plans | | | | | |
| Restricted Equity Units | Select Executives | 4.5 years | ⁴ | X | |
| DB Global Partnership Plan | | | | | |
| DB Equity Units | | | | | |
| as bonus grants | Select Executives | 2 years | ³ | X | |
| as retention grants | Select Executives | 3.5 years | ⁴ | X | |
| Performance Options | Select Executives ¹ | 4 years | ³ | | X |
| Partnership Appreciation Rights | Select Executives ¹ | 4 years | ³ | | X |
| DB Share Scheme | | | | | |
| as bonus grants | Select Employees | 3 years | ³ | X | |
| as retention grants | Select Employees | 3 years | ⁴ | X | |
| Employee Stock Purchase Plans | | | | | |
| DB Global Share Plan | | | | | |
| Share Purchases | All Employees ² | None | ² | X | |
| Performance Options | All Employees ² | 2 years | ⁴ | | X |

* Approximate period after which all portions of the award are no longer subject to the plan specific forfeiture provisions.

¹ Performance options and partnership appreciation rights are granted as a unit.

² Employees electing to purchase shares are granted performance options. German employees and retirees are eligible to purchase shares at a discount, which is recognized as part of compensation expense during the year the shares are purchased.

³ The value is recognized during the applicable performance year as part of compensation expense.

⁴ The value is recognized on a straight-line basis over the vesting period as part of compensation expense.

Share-Based Compensation Plans Currently Used For Granting New Awards

Restricted Equity Units. Under the Restricted Equity Units Plan, the Group grants various employees deferred share awards as retention incentive which provide the right to receive common shares of the Group at specified future dates. The expense related to Restricted Equity Units awarded is recognized on a straight-line basis over the vesting period, which is generally four to five years.

The Group also grants to the same group of employees exceptional awards as a component of the Restricted Equity Units as an additional retention incentive that is forfeited if the participant terminates employment for any reason prior to the end of the vesting period. Compensation expense for these awards is recognized on a straight-line basis over the vesting period.

DB Global Partnership Plan

DB Equity Units. DB Equity Units ("DB Equity Units") are deferred share awards, each of which entitles the holder to one of the Group's common shares approximately three and a half years from the date of the grant. DB Equity Units granted in relation to annual bonuses are forfeited if a participant terminates employment under certain circumstances within the first two years following the grant. Compensation expense for these awards is recognized in the applicable performance year as part of compensation earned for that year.

The Group also grants exceptional awards of DB Equity Units to a selected group of employees as retention incentive that is forfeited if the participant terminates employment for any reason prior to the end of an approximate three and a half year vesting period. Compensation expense for these awards is recognized on a straight-line basis over the vesting period.

Performance Options. Performance options ("Performance Options") are rights to purchase the Group's common shares. Performance Options are granted with an exercise price equal to 120% of the reference price. The reference price is set at the higher of the fair market value of the Group's common shares on the date of grant or an average of the fair market value of the Group's common shares for the ten trading days on the Frankfurt Stock Exchange up to and including the date of the grant.

Performance Options are subject to a minimum vesting period of two years. In general, one-third of the options will become exercisable at each of the second, third and fourth anniversaries of the grant date. However, if the Group's common shares trade at more than 130% of the reference price for 35 consecutive trading days, the Performance Options will become exercisable on the later of the end of the 35-day trading period or the second anniversary of the award date. This condition was fulfilled for the Performance Options granted in February 2003 and therefore, all these options will become exercisable in February 2005 rather than in three equal tranches.

Under certain circumstances, if a participant terminates employment prior to the vesting date, Performance Option awards will be forfeited. All options not previously exercised or forfeited expire on the sixth anniversary of the grant date.

Compensation expense for options awarded for the 2003 performance was recognized in 2003 in accordance with the fair-value based method. No compensation expense for options awarded for the 2002 and 2001 performance years was recognized in 2002 and 2001, as the market price of the shares on the date of grant did not exceed the exercise price.

Partnership Appreciation Rights. Partnership Appreciation Rights ("PARs") are rights to receive a cash award in an amount equal to 20% of the reference price for Performance Options described above. The vesting of PARs will occur at the same time and to the same extent as the vesting of Performance Options. PARs are automatically exercised at the same time and in the same proportion as the exercise of the Performance Options.

No compensation expense was recognized for the years ended December 31, 2003, 2002 and 2001 as the PARs represent a right to a cash award only with the exercise of Performance Options. This effectively reduces the

exercise price of any Performance Option exercised to the reference price described above and is factored into the calculation of the fair value of the option.

DB Share Scheme. Under the DB Share Scheme, the Group grants various employees deferred share awards which provide the right to receive common shares of the Group at a specified future date. Compensation expense for awards granted in relation to annual bonuses is recognized in the applicable performance year as part of compensation earned for that year. Awards granted as retention incentive are expensed on a straight-line basis over the vesting period, which is generally three years.

DB Global Share Plan

Share Purchases. In 2003 and 2002, eligible employees could purchase up to 20 shares and eligible retirees could purchase up to 10 shares of the Group's common shares. German employees and retirees were eligible to purchase these shares at a discount. In 2001, eligible employees could purchase up to 60 shares at a discount and retirees in certain geographic regions were eligible to purchase up to 25 shares of the Group's common shares at a discount. The discount was linked to the Group's prior year's earnings. The participant is fully vested and receives all dividend rights for the shares purchased. At the date of purchase, the Group recognizes as compensation expense the difference between the quoted market price of a common share at that date and the price paid by the participant.

Performance Options. In 2003 and 2002, employee participants received for each common share purchased five options. In 2001, employee participants received for each common share purchased one option. Each option entitles the participant to purchase one of the Group's common shares. Options vest approximately two years after the date of grant and expire after six years. Options may be exercised at a strike price equal to 120% of the reference price. The reference price is set at the higher of the fair market value of the Group's common shares on the date of grant or an average of the fair market value of the Group's common shares for the ten trading days on the Frankfurt Stock Exchange up to and including the date of grant.

Generally, a participant must have been working for the Group for at least one year and have an active employment contract in order to participate. Options are forfeited upon termination of employment. Participants who retire or become permanently disabled prior to vesting may still exercise their rights during the exercise period.

Compensation expense for options awarded for the 2003 performance year is recognized over the vesting period in accordance with the fair-value-based method. No compensation expense was recognized for options awarded for the 2002 and 2001 performance years as the market price of the shares on the date of grant did not exceed the exercise price.

Share-Based Compensation Plans No Longer Used for Granting New Awards

Global Equity Plan. During 1998, 1999 and 2000, certain key employees of the Group participated in the Global Equity Plan ("GEP") and were eligible to purchase convertible bonds in 1,000 DM denominations at par. On October 16, 2001, the Board of Managing Directors gave approval to buy out the outstanding awards at a fixed price.

As of December 31, 2001, participants holding DM 55,429,000 (€ 28,340,398) bonds convertible into 11,085,800 shares accepted the offer and received cash payments totaling € 490,347,106. Compensation expense relating to participants who accepted the buy-out offer was fully accrued in 2001.

Compensation expense was recorded using variable plan accounting over the vesting period for awards to participants who did not accept the buy-out offer in 2001. In June 2003, the remaining bonds were redeemed at their nominal value since specific performance criteria for conversion were not met. The Group released € 3 million to earnings related to amounts previously accrued for the GEP Plan.

In addition, in connection with the buy-out offer in 2001, the Board authorized a special payment to 93 participants in 2003. These participants could not take part in the buy-out offer due to the conditions of the authorization in

2001. The cash payments, which totaled € 9 million in connection with these bonds, were not included in share-based compensation expense.

Stock Appreciation Rights Plans. The Group has stock appreciation rights plans ("SARs") which provide eligible employees of the Group the right to receive cash equal to the appreciation of the Group's common shares over an established strike price. The stock appreciation rights granted can be exercised approximately three years from the date of grant. Stock appreciation rights expire approximately six years from the date of grant.

Compensation expense on SARs, calculated as the excess of the current market price of the Group's common shares over the strike price, is recorded using variable plan accounting. The expense related to a portion of the awards is recognized in the performance year if it relates to annual bonuses earned as part of compensation, while remaining awards are expensed over the vesting periods.

db Share Plan. Prior to the adoption of the DB Global Share Plan, certain employees were eligible to purchase up to 60 shares of the Group's common shares at a discount under the db Share Plan. In addition, for each share purchased, employee participants received one option which entitled them to purchase one share. Options vested over a period of approximately three years beginning on the date of grant. Following the vesting period, options could be exercised if specific performance criteria were met. The exercise price was determined by applying a performance dependent discount to the average quoted price of a common share on the Frankfurt Stock Exchange on the five trading days before the exercise period started.

At the date of purchase of the common shares, the Group recognized as compensation expense the difference between the quoted market price of a common share at that date and the price paid by the participant. Compensation expense for the options was recognized using variable plan accounting over the vesting period, and based upon an estimated exercise price for the applicable three-year period and the current market price of the Group's common shares.

All remaining db Share Plan options expired unexercised in 2003 because the specific performance criteria were not met. In 2003, the Group released € 20 million to earnings related to amounts previously accrued for the options.

Other Plans. The Group has other local share-based compensation plans, none of which, individually or in the aggregate are material to the consolidated financial statements.

Compensation Expense

The Group recognized compensation expense related to its significant share-based compensation plans, described above, as follows:

| in € m. | 2003 | 2002 | 2001 |
|--|------------|------------|--------------|
| DB Global Partnership ¹ | 8 | 4 | 19 |
| DB Global Share Plan | 3 | 3 | 4 |
| DB Share Scheme/Restricted Equity Units | 773 | 469 | 726 |
| Global Equity Plan | (3) | (6) | 302 |
| Stock Appreciation Rights Plans ² | (13) | 35 | 93 |
| db Share Plan | (20) | (45) | 53 |
| Total | 748 | 460 | 1,197 |

¹ Compensation expense for the years ended December 31, 2003, 2002 and 2001 included € 5.9 million, € 3.9 million and € 19 million, respectively, related to DB Equity Units granted in February 2004, February 2003 and February 2002, respectively.

² For the years ended December 31, 2003, 2002 and 2001, net (gains) losses of € (13) million, € 226 million and € 27 million, respectively, from nontrading equity derivatives, used to offset fluctuations in employee share-based compensation expense, were included.

The following is a summary of the activity in the Group's current compensation plans involving share and option awards for the years ended December 31, 2003, 2002 and 2001 (amounts in thousands of shares, except exercise prices):

| | DB Global Partnership | | | Shares | DB Global Share Plan | |
|--|------------------------------|----------------------------------|---------------------------------|------------------|----------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| | DB Equity Units ¹ | Performance Options ² | Weighted-average Exercise Price | | Performance Options ³ | Weighted-average Exercise Price |
| Balance at December 31, 2000 | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| Granted | - | - | - | - | 176 | € 87.66 |
| Issued | - | - | - | 237 | - | - |
| Forfeited | - | - | - | - | (1) | € 87.66 |
| Balance at December 31, 2001 | - | - | - | N/A | 175 | € 87.66 |
| Granted | 451 | 12,156 | € 89.96 | - | 2,082 | € 55.39 |
| Issued | - | - | - | 471 | - | - |
| Forfeited | (43) | (392) | € 89.96 | - | (22) | € 57.99 |
| Balance at December 31, 2002 | 408 | 11,764 | € 89.96 | N/A | 2,235 | € 57.90 |
| Granted | 122 | 14,615 | € 47.53 | - | 1,691 | € 75.24 |
| Issued | - | - | - | 396 | - | - |
| Forfeited | (3) | (490) | € 58.58 | - | (81) | € 57.00 |
| Balance at December 31, 2003 | 527 | 25,889 | € 66.60 | N/A | 3,845 | € 65.54 |
| Weighted-average remaining contractual life at | | | | | | |
| December 31, 2002 | 5 years | | | 5 years 9 months | | |
| December 31, 2003 | 4 years 8 months | | | 5 years 4 months | | |

N/A Not applicable. Participant is fully vested for shares purchased under the DB Global Share Plan.

¹ The weighted-average grant-date fair value per share of deferred share awards granted in 2003 and 2002 was € 38.62 and € 74.96, respectively.

² The weighted average grant-date fair value per option, including the PAR, granted during 2003 and 2002 was € 11.97 and € 21.24, respectively. Performance Options and PARs granted in 2003 and 2002 related to the 2002 and 2001 performance year, respectively.

³ The weighted-average grant-date fair value per option granted during 2003, 2002 and 2001 was € 9.71, € 12.35 and € 22.76, respectively.

There were no options exercisable under the DB Global Partnership Plan or the DB Global Share Plan at December 31, 2003.

In addition, approximately 101,000 DB Equity Units were granted in February 2004 related to the 2003 performance year and included in compensation expense for the year ended December 31, 2003. Approximately 25,000 DB Equity Units were granted as a retention incentive in February 2004 and not included in compensation expense for the year ended December 31, 2003. The weighted-average grant date fair value per DB Equity Unit was € 58.11.

Approximately 115,000 Performance Options and PARs were granted in February 2004 related to the 2003 performance year and included in compensation expense for the year ended December 31, 2003. The weighted-average grant date fair value per option was € 13.02.

The following table details the distribution of options outstanding:

| Range of Exercise Prices | Options Outstanding | | | Options Exercisable | |
|--------------------------|---------------------|--|--|---------------------|---------------------------------|
| | Options Outstanding | Weighted-average Exercise Price ¹ | Weighted-average Remaining Contractual Life (in Years) | Options Exercisable | Weighted-average Exercise Price |
| € 40.00 – 59.99 | 16,238 | € 48.49 | 5.1 | – | N/A |
| € 60.00 – 79.99 | 1,691 | € 75.24 | 6.0 | – | N/A |
| € 80.00 – 99.99 | 11,805 | € 89.93 | 4.1 | – | N/A |

N/A Not applicable.

¹ The weighted-average exercise price does not include the effect of the PARs for the DB Global Partnership Plan.

The following is a summary of the activity in the Group's compensation plans involving share awards (DB Share Scheme and Restricted Equity Units) for the years ended December 31, 2003, 2002 and 2001 (amounts in thousands of shares) broken into two categories in accordance with the Group's expensing policy. Expense for bonus awards is recognized in the applicable performance year. Expense for retention awards is recognized over the vesting period:

| in thousands of shares | Bonus Awards ¹ | Retention Awards ² | Total |
|-------------------------------------|---------------------------|-------------------------------|----------------|
| Balance at December 31, 2000 | 3,425 | 6,887 | 10,312 |
| Granted | 6,607 | 9,495 | 16,102 |
| Issued | (4,012) | (2,902) | (6,914) |
| Forfeited | (297) | (176) | (473) |
| Balance at December 31, 2001 | 5,723 | 13,304 | 19,027 |
| Granted | 6,386 | 12,148 | 18,534 |
| Issued | (5,603) | (4,243) | (9,846) |
| Forfeited | (417) | (1,610) | (2,027) |
| Balance at December 31, 2002 | 6,089 | 19,599 | 25,688 |
| Granted | 1,036 | 26,823 | 27,859 |
| Issued | (4,439) | (3,210) | (7,649) |
| Forfeited | (228) | (1,749) | (1,977) |
| Balance at December 31, 2003 | 2,458 | 41,463 | 43,921 |

¹ The weighted-average grant-date fair values per share of deferred share awards granted during 2003, 2002 and 2001 were € 39.61, € 74.96 and € 97.96, respectively.

² The weighted-average grant-date fair values per share of deferred share awards granted during 2003, 2002 and 2001 were € 34.62, € 72.56 and € 66.66, respectively. For the outstanding balance at year-end 2003, the weighted-average grant-date fair value per share was € 47.70 and approximately € 757 million were expensed by year-end 2003.

In addition to the amounts shown in the table above, the Group granted the following equity awards in February 2004:

- (a) Approximately 2.1 million shares under the DB Share Scheme with a fair value of € 60.94 per share were awarded as a bonus for the 2003 performance year and included in compensation expense for the year ended December 31, 2003.
- (b) Approximately 19 million shares under the DB Share Scheme and Restricted Equity Units with an average fair value of € 56.96 were awarded as retention awards.

The following is a summary of the Group's share-based compensation plans (for which there will be no future awards) for the years ended December 31, 2003, 2002 and 2001.

| in thousands of equivalent shares | Global Equity Plan | Stock Appreciation Rights Plans | db Share Plan | |
|-------------------------------------|--------------------------------|---------------------------------|---------------|--------------|
| | Convertible Bonds ¹ | SARs ² | Shares | Options |
| Balance at December 31, 2000 | 17,396 | 6,508 | N/A | 3,488 |
| Granted-original | - | 16,510 | - | - |
| Exchanged | - | (16,223) | - | - |
| Granted-new | - | 10,328 | - | - |
| Convertible bonds converted | (5,054) | - | - | - |
| Convertible bonds redeemed | (11,086) | - | - | - |
| Forfeited | (649) | (195) | - | (12) |
| Balance at December 31, 2001 | 607 | 16,928 | N/A | 3,476 |
| Granted | - | 3 | - | - |
| Issued | - | (30) | - | (1,453) |
| Convertible bonds converted | (286) | - | - | - |
| Forfeited | (49) | (555) | - | (170) |
| Balance at December 31, 2002 | 272 | 16,346 | N/A | 1,853 |
| Granted | - | - | - | - |
| Issued | - | - | - | - |
| Convertible bonds redeemed | (269) | - | - | - |
| Forfeited | (3) | (175) | - | (14) |
| Expired | - | - | - | (1,839) |
| Balance at December 31, 2003 | - | 16,171 | N/A | - |

N/A Not applicable. Participant was fully vested for shares purchased under the db Share Plan.

¹ Convertible bonds were included in long-term debt on the Consolidated Balance Sheet.

² SARs were granted at various strike prices. In October 2001, 16,223,276 SARs with a strike price of € 98 vesting in 2004 and expiring in 2007 were replaced by 10,328,417 rights at a strike price of € 67. The weighted-average strike price of the outstanding SARs at December 31, 2003 is € 68.71 with an average remaining life of three years.

Fair Value of Share Options Assumptions

The fair value of share options was estimated at the grant date using a Black-Scholes option pricing model. The information for 2003 is used in accounting for share options under the fair value based method which the Group adopted prospectively effective January 1, 2003. The information for 2002 and 2001 are used to calculate what the effect on net income and earnings per common share would have been if the Group had applied the fair value method as shown in Note [1].

The weighted-average fair value per option and the significant assumptions used to estimate the fair values of options were:

| | Dec 31, 2003 | Dec 31, 2002 | Dec 31, 2001 |
|--|---------------------|--------------|--------------|
| Weighted-average fair value per option | € 9.92 | € 12.03 | € 21.29 |
| Risk free interest rate | 3.52% | 3.45% | 5.03% |
| Expected lives (in years) | 4.0 | 4.4 | 4.5 |
| Dividend yield | 1.97% | 3.22% | 1.55% |
| Volatility | 26.65% | 43.2% | 32.57% |

[21] Asset Restrictions and Dividends

Since January 1, 1999, when stage three of the European Economic and Monetary Union was implemented, the European Central Bank has had responsibility for monetary policy and control in all the member countries of the European Monetary Union, including Germany.

The European Central Bank sets minimum reserve requirements for institutions that engage in the customer deposit and lending business. These minimum reserves must equal a certain percentage of the institutions' liabilities resulting from certain deposits, and the issuance of bonds and money market instruments. Liabilities to European Monetary Union national central banks and to other European Monetary Union banking institutions that are themselves subject to the minimum reserve requirements are not included in this calculation. Since January 1, 1999, the European Central Bank has set the minimum reserve rate at 2%. For deposits with a term to maturity or a notice period of more than two years, bonds with a term to maturity of more than two years and repurchase transactions, the minimum reserve rate has been set at 0%. Each institution is required to deposit its minimum reserve with the national central bank of its home country.

Cash and due from banks includes reserve balances that the Group is required to maintain with certain central banks. These required reserves were € 451 million and € 450 million at December 31, 2003 and 2002, respectively.

Under Deutsche Bank's Articles of Association and German law, dividends are based on the results of Deutsche Bank AG as prepared in accordance with German accounting rules. The Board of Managing Directors, which prepares the annual financial statements of Deutsche Bank AG on an unconsolidated basis, and the Supervisory Board, which reviews them, first allocate part of Deutsche Bank's annual surplus (if any) to the statutory reserves and to any losses carried forward, as it is legally required to do. Then they allocate the remainder between profit reserves (or retained earnings) and balance sheet profit (or distributable profit). They may allocate up to one-half of this remainder to profit reserves, and must allocate at least one-half to balance sheet profit. The Group then distributes the full amount of the balance sheet profit of Deutsche Bank AG if the shareholders' meeting resolves so. Certain other subsidiaries are subject to various regulatory and other restrictions that may limit cash dividends and certain advances to Deutsche Bank.

[22] Regulatory Capital

The regulatory capital adequacy guidelines applicable to the Group are set forth by the Basel Committee on Banking Supervision, the secretariat of which is provided by the Bank for International Settlements ("BIS") and by European Council directives, as implemented into German law. The German Federal Financial Supervisory Authority (Bundesanstalt für Finanzdienstleistungsaufsicht), in cooperation with the Deutsche Bundesbank supervises our compliance with such guidelines. Effective December 31, 2001, the German Federal Financial Supervisory Authority permitted the Group to calculate its BIS capital adequacy ratios on the basis of financial statements prepared in accordance with U.S. GAAP.

The BIS capital ratio is the principal measure of capital adequacy for international banks. This ratio compares a bank's regulatory capital with its counterparty risks and market price risks (which the Group refers to collectively as the "risk position"). Counterparty risk is measured for asset and off-balance sheet exposures according to broad categories of relative credit risk. The Group's market risk component is a multiple of its value-at-risk figure, which is calculated for regulatory purposes based on the Group's internal models. These models were approved by the German Federal Financial Supervisory Authority for use in determining the Group's market risk equivalent component of its risk position. A bank's regulatory capital is divided into three tiers (core or Tier I capital, supplementary or Tier II capital, and Tier III capital). Core or Tier I capital consists primarily of share capital, additional paid-in capital, retained earnings and hybrid capital components, such as noncumulative trust preferred securities and equity contributed on silent partnership interests (stille Beteiligungen), less intangible assets (principally goodwill) and the impact from the tax law changes (as described below). Supplementary or Tier II capital consists primarily of profit participation rights (Genussrechte), cumulative trust preferred securities, long-term subordinated debt, unrealized gains on listed securities and other inherent loss allowance. Tier III capital consists mainly of certain short-term subordinated liabilities and it may only cover market price risk. Banks may also use Tier I and Tier II capital that is in excess of the minimum required to cover counterparty risk (excess Tier I and Tier II capital) in order to cover market price risk. The minimum BIS total capital ratio (Tier I + Tier II + Tier III) is 8% of the risk position. The minimum BIS core capital ratio (Tier I) is 4% of the risk-weighted positions and 2.29% of the market risk equivalent. The minimum core capital ratio for the total risk position therefore depends on the weighted-average of risk-weighted positions and market risk equivalent. Under BIS guidelines, the amount of subordinated debt that may be included as Tier II capital is limited to 50% of Tier I capital. Total Tier II capital is limited to 100% of Tier I capital. Tier III capital is limited to 250% of the Tier I capital not required to cover counterparty risk.

The effect of the 1999/2000 German Tax Reform Legislation on securities available for sale is treated differently for the regulatory capital calculation and financial accounting. For financial accounting purposes, deferred tax provisions for unrealized gains on securities available for sale are recorded directly to other comprehensive income whereas the adjustment to the related deferred tax liabilities for a change in expected effective income tax rates is recorded as an adjustment of income tax expense in current period earnings. The positive impact from the above on retained earnings of the Group from the two important German tax law changes in 1999 and 2000 amounts to approximately € 2.8 billion and € 3.0 billion as of December 31, 2003 and 2002, respectively. For the purpose of calculating the regulatory capital, gross unrealized gains on securities available for sale are excluded from Tier I capital. The adjustment relates to accumulated other comprehensive income (€ (0.9) billion in 2003 and € (2.9) billion in 2002) and the release of deferred tax provisions (€ 2.8 billion in 2003 and € 3.0 billion in 2002) included in retained earnings.

| in € m. (except percentages) | Dec 31, 2003 | Dec 31, 2002 |
|-------------------------------------|----------------|----------------|
| Risk-weighted positions | 206,142 | 231,262 |
| Market risk equivalent ¹ | 9,530 | 6,217 |
| Risk position | 215,672 | 237,479 |
| Core capital (Tier I) | 21,618 | 22,742 |
| Supplementary capital (Tier II) | 8,253 | 7,120 |
| Available Tier III capital | – | – |
| Total regulatory capital | 29,871 | 29,862 |
| Core capital ratio (Tier I) | 10.0% | 9.6% |
| Capital ratio (Tier I + II + III) | 13.9% | 12.6% |

¹ A multiple of our value-at-risk, calculated with a probability level of 99% and a ten-day holding period.

In 2003, our risk position decreased by € 21.8 billion to € 215.7 billion on December 31, 2003. The decrease was driven by several factors, mainly the Euro appreciation and reductions in participating interests and tangible assets. BIS rules and the German Banking Act require us to cover our market price risk as of December 31, 2003, with slightly over € 762 million of regulatory capital (Tier I + II + III). We met this requirement entirely with Tier I and Tier II capital.

Our U.S. GAAP-based total regulatory capital was € 29.9 billion on December 31, 2003, and our core capital (Tier I) was € 21.6 billion, compared to € 29.9 billion and € 22.7 billion on December 31, 2002. Our supplementary capital (Tier II) of € 8.3 billion on December 31, 2003, amounted to 38% of our core capital.

Our capital ratio was 13.9% on December 31, 2003, significantly higher than the 8% minimum required by the BIS guidelines. Our core capital ratio was 10.0% in relation to the total risk position (including market risk equivalent).

Failure to meet minimum capital requirements can initiate certain mandates, and possibly additional discretionary actions by the German Federal Financial Supervisory Authority and other regulators that, if undertaken, could have a direct material effect on the consolidated financial statements of the Group.

The components of core and supplementary capital for the Group of companies consolidated for regulatory purposes are as follows at December 31, 2003, according to BIS:

| in € m. | | Dec 31, 2003 | |
|---|---------------|--|--------------|
| Common shares | 1,490 | Unrealized gains on listed securities (45% eligible) | 830 |
| Additional paid-in capital | 11,147 | Other inherent loss allowance | 503 |
| Retained earnings, consolidated profit, treasury shares, cumulative translation adjustments, stock awards | 16,459 | Cumulative preferred securities | 831 |
| Minority interests | 347 | Subordinated liabilities, if eligible according to BIS | 6,089 |
| Noncumulative trust preferred securities | 3,287 | | |
| Other (equity contributed on silent partnership interests) | 572 | | |
| Items deducted (principally goodwill and tax effect of available for sale securities) | (11,684) | | |
| Core capital | 21,618 | Supplementary capital | 8,253 |

The group of companies consolidated for regulatory purposes includes all subsidiaries in the meaning of the German Banking Act, which are classified as credit institutions, financial services institutions and financial enterprises or bank services enterprises. It does not include insurance companies, fund management companies or companies outside the finance sector.

[23] Interest Revenues and Interest Expense

The following are the components of interest revenues and interest expense:

| in € m. | 2003 | 2002 | 2001 |
|--|---------------|---------------|---------------|
| Interest revenues | | | |
| Interest-earning deposits with banks | 902 | 1,469 | 2,912 |
| Central bank funds sold and securities purchased under resale agreements | 4,857 | 6,579 | 8,226 |
| Securities borrowed | 1,429 | 2,809 | 5,327 |
| Interest income on securities available for sale and other investments | 588 | 1,257 | 2,682 |
| Dividend income on securities available for sale and other investments | 386 | 385 | 1,029 |
| Loans | 7,649 | 11,741 | 17,619 |
| Trading assets | 11,286 | 11,248 | 15,163 |
| Other | 486 | 293 | 681 |
| Total interest revenues | 27,583 | 35,781 | 53,639 |
| Interest expense | | | |
| Interest-bearing deposits | | | |
| Domestic | 1,918 | 2,662 | 3,169 |
| Foreign | 4,662 | 6,657 | 12,555 |
| Trading liabilities | 5,667 | 4,410 | 5,723 |
| Central bank funds purchased and securities sold under repurchase agreements | 4,595 | 7,049 | 10,829 |
| Securities loaned | 430 | 580 | 1,902 |
| Other short-term borrowings | 598 | 705 | 1,636 |
| Long-term debt | 3,766 | 6,362 | 8,918 |
| Trust preferred securities | 100 | 170 | 287 |
| Total interest expense | 21,736 | 28,595 | 45,019 |
| Net interest revenues | 5,847 | 7,186 | 8,620 |

[24] Insurance Business

The following are the components of other assets related to insurance business:

| in € m. | Dec 31, 2003 | Dec 31, 2002 |
|---|--------------|--------------|
| Investment under unit-linked business | 7,967 | 7,514 |
| Deferred acquisition costs | 21 | 17 |
| Other | 261 | 266 |
| Total other assets related to insurance business | 8,249 | 7,797 |

All other assets of the Group's insurance business, primarily securities available for sale, are included in the respective line item on the Consolidated Balance Sheet.

The following are the components of insurance policy claims and reserves:

| in € m. | Dec 31, 2003 | Dec 31, 2002 |
|---|--------------|--------------|
| Benefit reserves | 437 | 418 |
| Reserve for unit-linked business | 7,967 | 7,514 |
| Other insurance provisions and liabilities | 667 | 625 |
| Total insurance policy claims and reserves | 9,071 | 8,557 |

[25] Pension and Other Employee Benefit Plans

The Group provides retirement arrangements covering the majority of subsidiaries and employees working in Germany, the United Kingdom, the United States, Spain, Italy, Belgium, France, the Netherlands and Asia. The majority of beneficiaries of the retirement arrangements are principally located in Germany. The value of a participant's accrued benefit is based primarily on each employee's salary and length of service.

Plans in Germany, the United Kingdom, the United States, Belgium, France, the Netherlands and Asia are generally funded, while the Spanish and Italian plans are unfunded.

During 2003, the Group contributed € 170 million to its qualified U.K. pension plans and € 196 million to its qualified German pension schemes, € 136 million and € 76 million of which were discretionary contributions, respectively. In December 2002, the Group began funding the majority of its pension plans in Germany and contributed € 3.9 billion to a segregated pension trust relating to an accumulated benefit obligation totaling € 3.5 billion. In addition, during 2002, the Group contributed to its qualified U.S. and U.K. pension plans approximately € 115 million and € 300 million, respectively.

The Group also sponsors a number of defined contribution plans covering employees of certain subsidiaries. The assets of all the Group's defined contribution plans are held in independently administered funds. Contributions are generally determined as a percentage of salary.

In addition, the Group's affiliates offer unfunded contributory defined benefit postretirement health care plans to a number of retired employees who are located in the United States and the United Kingdom. These plans pay stated percentages of eligible medical and dental expenses of retirees after a stated deductible has been met. The Group funds these plans on a cash basis as benefits are due.

The Group uses an measurement date of September 30 for plans in the United Kingdom, the United States and Japan. All other plans have a December 31 measurement date. All plans are valued using the projected unit credit method. The recognition of actuarial gains and losses is applied by using the 10% "corridor" approach.

The following tables provide a reconciliation of the changes in the Group's plans' benefit obligations and fair value of assets over the two-year period ended December 31, 2003 and a statement of the funded status as of December 31 for each year:

| in € m. | Pension Benefits | | Postretirement Benefits | |
|---|------------------|--------------|-------------------------|--------------|
| | 2003 | 2002 | 2003 | 2002 |
| Change in benefit obligation | | | | |
| Benefit obligation at beginning of year | 6,653 | 6,772 | 160 | 151 |
| Service cost | 279 | 323 | 8 | 4 |
| Interest cost | 375 | 384 | 9 | 8 |
| Plan amendments | 4 | 11 | 3 | 20 |
| Acquisitions/divestitures | (2) | (55) | - | 5 |
| Actuarial loss (gain) | 247 | (194) | 11 | 5 |
| Benefits paid | (319) | (282) | (12) | (12) |
| Curtailement/settlement | (46) | 4 | (2) | - |
| Foreign currency exchange rate changes | (271) | (310) | (29) | (21) |
| Benefit obligation at end of year | 6,920 | 6,653 | 148 | 160 |
| Change in plan assets | | | | |
| Fair value of plan assets at beginning of year | 6,296 | 2,369 | - | - |
| Actual return on plan assets | 546 | (289) | - | - |
| Employer contributions ¹ | 560 | 4,493 | 11 | 12 |
| Benefits paid | (295) | (103) | (11) | (13) |
| Curtailement/settlement | (30) | 67 | - | 1 |
| Foreign currency exchange rate changes | (276) | (241) | - | - |
| Fair value of plan assets at end of year | 6,801 | 6,296 | - | - |
| Funded status | (119) | (357) | (148) | (160) |
| Unrecognized net actuarial loss (gain) | 838 | 893 | 14 | (13) |
| Unrecognized prior service cost (benefit) | 9 | (1) | 10 | 15 |
| Unrecognized transition obligation (assets) | 14 | 1 | - | - |
| Net amount recognized at end of year | 742 | 536 | (124) | (158) |

¹ Amount for 2003 includes € 170 million and € 196 million contributed to the Group's U.K. and German pension plans, respectively. Amount for 2002 includes € 3.9 billion, € 300 million and € 115 million contributed to the Group's German, U.K. and U.S. pension plans, respectively.

The following amounts were recognized in the consolidated balance sheet:

| in € m. | Pension Benefits | | Postretirement Benefits | |
|--|------------------|------------|-------------------------|--------------|
| | 2003 | 2002 | 2003 | 2002 |
| Prepaid pension costs | 1,001 | 951 | - | - |
| Accrued benefit costs | (259) | (415) | (124) | (158) |
| Accumulated other comprehensive income | - | (8) | - | - |
| Net amount recognized | 742 | 528 | (124) | (158) |

The accumulated benefit obligation for all defined benefit pension plans was € 6.4 billion and € 6.0 billion at December 31, 2003 and 2002, respectively.

The following table shows the information for defined benefit pension plans with an accumulated benefit obligation in excess of the fair value of plan assets:

| in € m. | Dec 31, 2003 | Dec 31, 2002 |
|--------------------------------|---------------------|--------------|
| Projected benefit obligation | 374 | 1,454 |
| Accumulated benefit obligation | 329 | 1,367 |
| Fair value of plan assets | 103 | 1,084 |

The Group's pension plan weighted – average asset allocations at December 31, 2003 and 2002, by asset category are as follows:

| Asset Category | Target Allocation | Percentage of Plan Assets | |
|-----------------------|-------------------|---------------------------|--------------|
| | Dec 31, 2004 | Dec 31, 2003 | Dec 31, 2002 |
| Equity securities | 20% | 27% | 25% |
| Debt securities | 75% | 65% | 61% |
| Real estate and other | 5% | 8% | 14% |
| Total | 100% | 100% | 100% |

The Group's pension plan investment strategy is to match the maturity profiles of the assets and liabilities in order to reduce the future volatility of pension expense and funding status of the plans. This involves the rebalancing of the investment portfolios to reduce the exposure to equity securities as well as increase the amount and duration of the fixed income portfolio. In the last quarter of 2003, the average equity share of the portfolios was reduced from 35% to below 30% and a further reduction to 20% is targeted by April, 2004. The lengthening of the average duration of the fixed income portfolio is expected to be achieved by December 2004. Implementation of the investment strategy may be limited by the regulatory and legal framework applicable to the particular pension plans. The asset allocation of each of the Group's pension plans is reviewed regularly.

The Group expects to contribute approximately € 250 million to its pension plans in 2004, representing expected service costs in 2004.

Benefits expense for the years ended December 31, 2003, 2002 and 2001, included the following components:

| in € m. | Pension Benefits | | | Postretirement Benefits | | |
|--|------------------|------------|------------|-------------------------|-----------|-----------|
| | 2003 | 2002 | 2001 | 2003 | 2002 | 2001 |
| Service cost | 279 | 323 | 309 | 8 | 4 | 4 |
| Interest cost | 375 | 384 | 367 | 9 | 8 | 10 |
| Expected return on plan assets | (409) | (175) | (197) | – | – | – |
| Actuarial loss (gain) recognized | 66 | 39 | 1 | – | – | (1) |
| Settlement/curtailment | (7) | 4 | 4 | – | – | – |
| Amortization of unrecognized transition obligation (asset) | (9) | (10) | (10) | – | – | – |
| Total defined benefit plans | 295 | 565 | 474 | 17 | 12 | 13 |
| Defined contribution plans | 167 | 228 | 175 | – | – | – |
| Net periodic benefit expense | 462 | 793 | 649 | 17 | 12 | 13 |

The following actuarial assumptions were calculated on a weighted-average basis and reflect the local economic conditions for each country's respective defined benefit and postretirement benefit plans:

| | Pension Benefits | | | Postretirement Benefits ¹ | | |
|--|------------------|------|------|--------------------------------------|------|------|
| | 2003 | 2002 | 2001 | 2003 | 2002 | 2001 |
| Discount rate in determining expense | 5.4% | 5.7% | 6.4% | 6.0% | 6.7% | 7.2% |
| Discount rate in determining benefit obligations at year-end | 5.5% | 5.8% | 6.1% | 5.9% | 6.7% | 7.2% |
| Rate of increase in future compensation levels for determining expense | 3.5% | 3.0% | 3.4% | N/A | N/A | N/A |
| Rate of increase in future compensation levels for determining benefit obligations at year-end | 3.3% | 2.0% | 2.5% | N/A | N/A | N/A |
| Expected long-term rate of return on assets | 5.6% | 6.7% | 8.1% | N/A | N/A | 9.0% |

N/A Not applicable

¹ The weighted-average actuarial assumptions for the postretirement plans reflect the assumptions used in the United States and the United Kingdom where the Group's postretirement plans are located.

The expected return on the Group's defined benefit pension plans' assets is calculated by applying a risk premium which reflects the inherent risks associated with each relevant asset category over a risk-free return. This percentage is applied against the target assets in each category to arrive at an expected total return. Using this so-called "building block" approach globally ensures that the Group has a consistent framework in place. In addition, it allows sufficient flexibility to allow for changes that need to be built in to reflect local specific conditions.

The determination of the expected return on plan assets for 2004 was based on the actual asset allocation as of the measurement date.

The ten-year government fixed interest bond yield equal for the country in which each plan is located was used as the basis for the risk-free return. An additional risk premium of 3.0%, 1.0% and 1.5% was then added to the risk-free return for equities, debt securities and real estate, respectively.

For cash, the Group estimated the expected return to be equivalent to the yield of a short-term (two to three years) bond for the applicable country.

In determining postretirement benefits expense, an annual weighted-average rate of increase of 8.0% in the per capita cost of covered health care benefits was assumed for 2004. The rate is assumed to decrease gradually to 5.0% by 2007 and remain at that level thereafter.

Assumed health care cost trend rates have an effect on the amounts reported for the retiree health care plans. A one-percentage-point change in assumed health care cost trend rates would have the following effects on the Group's retiree health care plans:

| in € m. | One-Percentage Point Increase | | One-Percentage Point Decrease | |
|---|-------------------------------|------|-------------------------------|------|
| | 2003 | 2002 | 2003 | 2002 |
| Effect on total of service and interest cost components | 3 | 2 | (2) | (2) |
| Effect on accumulated postretirement benefit obligation | 18 | 18 | (16) | (15) |

In January 2004, the FASB issued Staff Position 106-1, "Accounting and Disclosure Requirements Related to the Medicare Prescription Drug, Improvement and Modernization Act of 2003" ("FSP"). The Act, signed into law in the U.S. on December 8, 2003, introduces a prescription drug benefit as well as a subsidy to sponsors of retiree health care benefit plans that provide a benefit that is at least actuarially equivalent to benefits provided under the Act. The FSP permits an entity to make a one-time election to defer recognizing the effects of the Act in accounting for its postretirement benefit plans under SFAS No. 106, "Employers' Accounting for Postretirement Benefits Other Than Pensions" ("SFAS 106"), until either authoritative accounting guidance is issued or plan assets and obligations are remeasured due to a significant event.

The Group has elected to defer recognition of the effects of the Act in accounting for its postretirement plans under SFAS 106, and the pension postretirement benefit obligations and expense reported in the accompanying financial statements and footnotes do not reflect the effects of the Act. Specific authoritative guidance on the accounting for the government subsidy is pending and that guidance, when issued, could require that the Group change previously reported information.

[26] Income Taxes

The components of income taxes (benefits) follow:

| in € m. | 2003 | 2002 | 2001 |
|-----------------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| Domestic | 305 | 215 | 486 |
| Foreign | 968 | 494 | 1,102 |
| Current taxes | 1,273 | 709 | 1,588 |
| Domestic | 37 | 2,992 | 100 |
| Foreign | 232 | (512) | (259) |
| Deferred taxes | 269 | 2,480 | (159) |
| Total | 1,542 | 3,189 | 1,429 |

The following is an analysis of the difference between the amount that would result from applying the German statutory income tax rate to income before tax and the Group's actual income tax expense:

| in € m. | 2003 | 2002 | 2001 |
|--|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| Expected tax expense at German statutory income tax rate of 40.5% (39.2% for 2002 and 2001) | 1,116 | 1,391 | 707 |
| Reversal of 1999/2000 credits for tax rate changes | 215 | 2,817 | 995 |
| Effect of changes of German tax law | 154 | – | – |
| Domestic tax rate differential on dividend distribution | 1 | (65) | – |
| Tax-exempt gains on securities and other income | (637) | (1,824) | (1,077) |
| Foreign tax-rate differential | (298) | 87 | (146) |
| Change in valuation allowance | 99 | 254 | 286 |
| Nondeductible expenses | 647 | 223 | 354 |
| Goodwill amortization/impairment | 46 | 24 | 363 |
| Tax credit related to domestic dividend received | (1) | (7) | (109) |
| Tax rate differential on (income) loss on equity method investments | 171 | 348 | 143 |
| Other | 29 | (59) | (87) |
| Actual income tax expense | 1,542 | 3,189 | 1,429 |

Effective from January 1, 2001, the corporate tax rate was reduced from 40% on retained earnings and 30% on distributed earnings to a single 25% rate. The domestic tax rate including corporate tax, solidarity surcharge, and trade tax used for calculating deferred tax assets and liabilities as of December 31, 2003 and 2002 was 39.2%. For the year 2003 only, the corporate income tax rate was temporarily increased by 1.5% to 26.5% which increased the statutory income tax rate to 40.5%. The applicable statutory income tax rate for temporary differences that will reverse after 2003 will revert to 39.2%.

For the years ended December 31, 2003, 2002 and 2001, due to actual sales of equity securities on which there was accumulated deferred tax provision in other comprehensive income, it was necessary to reverse those provisions as income tax expense. This treatment led to income tax expense of € 215 million, € 2,817 million and € 995 million, respectively. This adjustment does not result in actual tax payments and has no net effect on shareholders' equity.

The remaining accumulated deferred tax amounts recorded within other comprehensive income will be reversed as income tax expense in the periods that the related securities are sold. At December 31, 2003, 2002 and 2001, the amount of these deferred taxes accumulated within other comprehensive income that will reverse in a future period as tax expense when the securities are sold is approximately € 2.8 billion, € 3.0 billion and € 5.9 billion, respectively.

The enactment of the German Act for the reduction of Tax Allowances and Exemptions in May 2003 provided a minimum taxation for trade tax purposes which resulted in a catch-up tax expense of € 107 million. In December 2003, the German Federal Government modified the taxation of capital gains and dividends with the 2004 Tax Reform Act by treating 5% of any tax-exempt dividend and tax-exempt capital gains as non-tax deductible for corporation tax purposes. The new rules applicable from 2004 resulted in an additional tax expense of € 47 million. The tax effects of each type of temporary difference and carryforward that give rise to significant portions of deferred income tax assets and liabilities are the following:

| in € m. | Dec 31, 2003 | Dec 31, 2002 |
|--|---------------|---------------|
| Deferred income tax assets | | |
| Trading activities | 13,612 | 12,298 |
| Net operating loss carryforwards and tax credits | 2,513 | 2,632 |
| Property and equipment, net | 521 | 673 |
| Other assets | 4,097 | 2,253 |
| Allowance for loan losses | 265 | 152 |
| Other provisions | 590 | 593 |
| Total deferred income tax assets | 21,598 | 18,601 |
| Valuation allowance | (964) | (949) |
| Deferred tax assets after valuation allowance | 20,634 | 17,652 |
| Deferred income tax liabilities | | |
| Trading activities | 16,482 | 13,197 |
| Property and equipment, net | 546 | 689 |
| Securities valuation | 82 | 82 |
| Other liabilities | 1,156 | 858 |
| Total deferred income tax liabilities | 18,266 | 14,826 |
| Net deferred income tax assets | 2,368 | 2,826 |

Included in other assets and other liabilities at December 31, 2003 and 2002 are deferred tax assets of € 3.6 billion and € 3.9 billion and deferred tax liabilities of € 1.3 billion and € 1.1 billion, respectively.

Certain foreign branches and companies in the Group have deferred tax assets related to net operating loss carryforwards and tax credits available to reduce future tax expense. The net operating loss carryforwards at December 31, 2003 were € 6.2 billion of which € 3.8 billion have no expiration date and € 2.4 billion expire at various dates extending to 2023. Tax credits were € 265 million of which € 133 million will expire in 2004 and € 13 million will expire in 2005 and € 119 million have other expiration dates. The Group has established a valuation allowance where realization of those losses and credits is not likely.

The Group did not provide income taxes or foreign withholding taxes on € 5.4 billion of cumulative earnings of foreign subsidiaries as of December 31, 2003 because these earnings are intended to be indefinitely reinvested in those operations. It is not practicable to estimate the amount of unrecognized deferred tax liabilities for these undistributed earnings.

[27] Earnings Per Common Share

Basic earnings per common share amounts are computed by dividing net income by the average number of common shares outstanding during the year. The average number of common shares outstanding is defined as the sum of the average number of common shares issued, reduced by the average number of shares in treasury and by the average number of shares that will be acquired under physically settled forward purchase contracts and increased by undistributed vested shares awarded under deferred share plans.

Diluted earnings per share assumes the conversion into common shares of outstanding securities or other contracts to issue common stock, such as share options, unvested deferred share awards and certain forward contracts.

The following table sets forth the computation of basic and diluted earnings per share:

| in € m. | 2003 | 2002 | 2001 |
|--|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| Income before cumulative effect of accounting changes, net of tax | 1,214 | 360 | 374 |
| Cumulative effect of accounting changes, net of tax | 151 | 37 | (207) |
| Numerator for basic earnings per share – net income | 1,365 | 397 | 167 |
| Number of shares in m. | | | |
| Denominator for basic earnings per share – weighted-average shares outstanding | 559.3 | 615.9 | 619.8 |
| Effect of dilutive securities | | | |
| Derivatives | 11.3 | 4.4 | 0.8 |
| Convertible bonds | – | 0.1 | 0.2 |
| Deferred shares | 19.1 | 6.1 | 2.0 |
| Dilutive potential common shares | 30.4 | 10.6 | 3.0 |
| Denominator for diluted earnings per share – adjusted weighted-average shares after assumed conversions | 589.7 | 626.5 | 622.8 |

The diluted earnings per share computations do not include the antidilutive effect of the following potential common shares:

| In € m. | 2003 | 2002 | 2001 |
|----------------------------|------|------|------|
| Forward purchase contracts | – | – | 33.5 |
| Forward sale contracts | 3.1 | 26.0 | 9.7 |
| Put options sold | – | 0.4 | 0.1 |
| Call options sold | 1.3 | 0.3 | – |
| Stock compensation awards | 15.5 | 0.2 | – |

| in € | 2003 | 2002 | 2001 |
|--|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| Basic earnings per share | | | |
| Income before cumulative effect of accounting changes, net of tax | 2.17 | 0.58 | 0.60 |
| Cumulative effect of accounting changes, net of tax | 0.27 | 0.06 | (0.33) |
| Net income | 2.44 | 0.64 | 0.27 |
| Diluted earnings per share | | | |
| Income before cumulative effect of accounting changes, net of tax | 2.06 | 0.57 | 0.60 |
| Cumulative effect of accounting changes, net of tax | 0.25 | 0.06 | (0.33) |
| Net income | 2.31 | 0.63 | 0.27 |

[28] Business Segments and Related Information

The Group's segment reporting follows the organizational structure as reflected in its internal management reporting systems, which are the basis for assessing the financial performance of the business segments and for allocating resources to the businesses segments.

Organizational Structure

In order to best serve the Group's clients and manage its investments, Deutsche Bank is organized into three Group Divisions, which are further sub-divided into corporate divisions. As of December 31, 2003, the Group Divisions were:

The **Corporate and Investment Bank (CIB)** combines the Group's corporate banking and securities activities (including sales and trading, corporate finance, global banking and loan exposure management activities), with the Group's transaction banking activities. CIB serves corporate and institutional clients, ranging from medium-sized enterprises to multinational corporations and sovereign organizations.

Private Clients and Asset Management (PCAM) combines the Group's asset management, private wealth management and private and business client activities. As of January 1, 2003 the Group completed a realignment of PCAM. As a consequence of this change, the three previous corporate divisions – Asset Management, Private Banking, and Personal Banking – were realigned into two new corporate divisions: Asset and Wealth Management (AWM), and Private and Business Clients (PBC). These two new Corporate Divisions include the following activities:

- AWM comprises two business divisions. The existing Asset Management Business Division (AM) focuses on managing assets on behalf of institutional clients, including pension funds, and providing mutual funds and other investment vehicles for private individuals. The new business division Private Wealth Management (PWM) focuses, globally, on the specific needs of demanding high net worth clients, their families and selected institutions. These clients were previously served within the former Private Banking Corporate Division.
- PBC serves clients previously served by Personal Banking, together with Private Banking clients not served by Private Wealth Management and small corporate customers. PBC focuses on three core European markets: Germany, Italy and Spain.

Corporate Investments (CI) combines the management of the Group's industrial holdings, private equity investments, and other corporate principal investment activities.

In addition to these three group divisions, Deutsche Bank's organization includes a **Corporate Center (CC)**, which supports cross-divisional management and leadership. As of January 1, 2003, all support activities, previously grouped under DB Services, were realigned either into the group divisions or into the Corporate Center. These units provide corporate services, information technology, consulting and transaction services to the entire organization. The goal of this realignment is to incorporate business-related support activities directly into the relevant business areas.

Changes in Management Responsibility

During 2003, management responsibility changed for the following significant businesses:

- The Private Clients Services business was transferred from the Corporate Banking & Securities Corporate Division to the Asset and Wealth Management Corporate Division.
- Small corporate German customers, previously assigned to the Corporate Banking & Securities Corporate Division, were transferred to the Private & Business Clients Corporate Division in context of the PCAM realignment.
- The Private Equity Fund of Funds Group and the third party funds business in Australia were transferred from the Corporate Investments Group Division to the Asset and Wealth Management Corporate Division.
- The Italian financial advisor network (“Finanza & Futuro Banca”), previously reported under Asset Management, was transferred to the corporate division Private & Business Clients.

Prior periods have been restated to conform to the current year's presentation.

Impact of Acquisitions and Divestitures During 2003

The effects of significant acquisitions and divestitures on segmental results are described below:

- In July 2003, the Group sold its investments in Tele Columbus GmbH and in Tele Columbus Ost GmbH (formally SMATcom GmbH), which were included in the Corporate Investments Group Division.
- In March 2003, the Group completed the acquisition of Rued, Blass & Cie AG Bankgeschaef, a Swiss private bank. The majority of the business was included in the corporate division Asset and Wealth Management.
- In February 2003, the Group completed the sale of 80% of its late-stage private equity portfolio, which had been managed under the Corporate Investments Group Division.
- In January 31, 2003, the Group completed the sale of most of its Passive Asset Management business to Northern Trust Corporation.
- In January 31, 2003, the Group sold substantial parts of its Global Securities Services business to State Street Corporation. The completion of the sale of the Italian and Austrian parts of the business occurred in the third quarter of 2003 in a separate but related transaction. The business units included in the sale were Global Custody, Global Funds Services (including Depotbank services), and Agency Securities Lending, which were previously included in the Global Transaction Banking Corporate Division. In addition, the sale included Domestic Custody and Securities Clearing in the U.S. and the United Kingdom.
- In January 2003, part of the German commercial real estate financing activities were transferred to EUROHYPO AG. This increased the Group's share of EUROHYPO AG to 37.7%. EUROHYPO AG resulted from the merger in 2002 of the Group's former mortgage banking subsidiary “EUROHYPO AG Europäische Hypothekenbank der Deutschen Bank” with the mortgage banking subsidiaries of Dresdner Bank AG and Commerzbank AG. Since the merger, EUROHYPO AG was included in the Corporate Investment Group Division. The Group has accounted for this investment under the equity method.

Changes in the Format of Segment Disclosure

The most significant changes are as follows:

- The Group now discloses “underlying pre-tax profit”, the ratios “underlying cost/income ratio” and “underlying RoE” (pre-tax) for its segments.
- The Group now includes severance payments and minority interest in underlying pre-tax profit. These items had been excluded from the previously disclosed “Income before nonoperating costs”. In addition, the Group now includes severance payments in the “operating cost base”.
- The Group, therefore, now separately discloses goodwill impairment/amortization, restructuring activities, minority interest and severance payments in order to provide more transparency. Previously these items were combined under the definition “nonoperating costs”.
- The Group has refined some revenue components to reflect current business practice. For instance, revenues from insurance business are no longer disclosed separately, as the major part of it was sold in the second quarter of 2002.

Prior periods have been restated to conform to the current year's presentation.

Definitions of Financial Measures Used in the Format of Segment Disclosure

In the segmental results of operations, the following terms with the following meanings are used with respect to each segment:

- *Operating cost base*: Noninterest expenses less provision for off-balance sheet positions (reclassified to provision for credit losses), policyholder benefits and claims, minority interest, restructuring activities and goodwill impairment/amortization.
- *Underlying pre-tax profit*: Income before income taxes less restructuring activities, goodwill impairment/amortization and specific revenue items as referred to in the table for such segment.
- *Underlying cost/income ratio in %*: Operating cost base as a percentage of total net revenues excluding specific revenue items, net of policyholder benefits and claims. *Cost/income ratio in %*, which is defined as total noninterest expenses as a percentage of total net revenues, is also provided.
- *Average active equity*: The portion of adjusted average total shareholders' equity that has been allocated to a segment pursuant to the capital allocation framework. The overriding objective of this framework is to allocate adjusted average total shareholders' equity based on the respective goodwill and other intangible assets with indefinite lifetimes as well as the economic risk position of each segment. In determining the total amount of average active equity to be allocated, average total shareholders' equity is adjusted to exclude average unrealized net gains on securities available for sale, net of applicable tax and other, and average dividends.
- *Underlying RoE in %*: Underlying pre-tax profit (annualized) as a percentage of average active equity. *RoE in %*, which is defined as income before income taxes (annualized) as a percentage of average active equity, is also provided. These returns, which are based on average active equity, should not be compared to those of other companies without considering the differences in the calculation of such ratios.

Management uses these measures as part of its internal reporting system because it believes that such measures provide it with a more useful indication of the financial performance of the business segments. The Group discloses such measures to provide investors and analysts with further insight into how management operates our businesses and to enable them to better understand our results. Below, the Group provides the rationale for excluding certain items in deriving the measures above:

- *Net gains (losses) from businesses sold/held for sale*: We exclude these gains or losses from our calculations of underlying revenues and underlying pre-tax profit because they do not represent results of our continuing businesses.
- *Net gains (losses) from securities available for sale/industrial holdings (including hedging)*: Net gains or losses related to several financial holdings investments and to our portfolio of shareholdings in publicly-listed industrial companies, most of which we have held for over 20 years and which we are reducing over time. Because these investments do not relate to our customer-driven businesses, we exclude all revenues (positive and negative) related to these investments from our underlying results, except for dividend income from the investments, which we do not exclude as funding costs associated with the investments are also not excluded.
- *Significant equity pick-ups/net gains and losses from investments*: This item includes significant net gains/losses from equity method investments and other significant investments. They are excluded in the calculation of underlying revenues and underlying pre-tax profit since they reflect results that are not related to our customer-driven businesses.
- *Net gain (losses) on the sale of premises*: This item includes net gains or losses on the sale of premises used for banking purposes. Net losses in 2003 related to the divestiture of non-core activities pursuant to our transformation strategy.
- *Policyholder benefits and claims*: For our internal steering purposes, we reclassify policyholder benefits and claims from noninterest expenses to noninterest revenues so as to consider them together with insurance revenues, to which they are related. The reclassification does not affect our calculation of underlying pre-tax profits. Following the disposition of most of our insurance operations in early 2002, the size of this item has decreased significantly.
- *Provision for off-balance sheet positions*: Provision for off-balance sheet positions is reclassified from noninterest expenses to provision for credit losses because we manage provision for off-balance sheet positions and provision for loan losses together. This reclassification does not affect our calculation of underlying pre-tax profit.
- *Change in measurement of other inherent loan loss allowance*: In the third quarter of 2002, we took a charge of € 200 million to reflect a refinement in the measurement of our other inherent loss allowance. This change was made in order to make the provision more sensitive to the prevailing credit environment and less based on historical experience.
- *Restructuring activities and Goodwill impairment/amortization* are excluded from the calculation of operating cost base and thus underlying pre-tax profit because these items are not considered part of our day-to-day business operations and therefore not indicative of trends.
- *Minority interest*: Minority interests represents the net share of minority shareholders in revenues, provision for loan losses, noninterest expenses and income tax expenses. This net component is reported as a noninterest expense item. We do not consider this item to be an operating expense, but as minority shareholder's portion of net income. Accordingly, we exclude such item in the determination of our operating cost base. Minority interest is reflected in the calculation of underlying pre-tax profit as a separate item.
- *Adjustments to calculate average active equity*: The items excluded from average total shareholders' equity to calculate average active equity result primarily from the portfolio of shareholdings in publicly-listed industrial companies. We have held most of our larger participations for over 20 years, and are reducing these holdings

over time. We realize gains and losses on these securities only when we sell them. Accordingly, the adjustments we make to average total shareholders' equity to derive the average active equity are to exclude unrealized net gains or losses on securities available for sale, net of applicable tax effects. In addition, we adjust our average total shareholders' equity for the effect of paying a dividend once a year following approval at the general shareholders' meeting.

Framework of the Group's Management's Reporting Systems

Business segment results are determined based on the Group's internal management reporting process, which reflects the way management views its businesses, and are not necessarily prepared in accordance with the Group's U.S. GAAP consolidated financial statements. This internal management reporting process may be different than the processes used by other financial institutions and therefore, should be considered in making any comparisons with those institutions. Since the Group's business activities are diverse in nature and its operations are integrated, certain estimates and judgments have been made to apportion revenue and expense items among the business segments.

The management reporting systems follow the "matched transfer pricing concept" in which the Group's external net interest revenues are allocated to the business segments based on the assumption that all positions are funded or invested via the money and capital markets. Therefore, to create comparability with competitors which have legally independent units with their own equity funding, the Group allocates among the business segments the notional interest credit on its consolidated capital resulting from a method for allocating funding costs. This credit is allocated in proportion to each business segment's allocated average active equity, and is included in the segment's net interest revenues.

The Group further refined its framework of allocating average active equity to the segments. The overriding objective remains to link the allocation mechanism with the economic risk positions of a segment. Hence, to further increase the risk sensitivity of the framework and to explicitly assign the respective intangibles by division, the Group decided to include goodwill and other intangible assets with indefinite lives along with economic capital as additional drivers of the book equity allocation. In 2002, the combined average goodwill/intangible assets and average economic risk positions approximated the average active book equity. Therefore, the € 3.8 billion average active equity formerly recorded in "Consolidation & Adjustments" was allocated to the segments when restating the full year 2002.

Revenues from transactions between the business segments are allocated on a mutually agreed basis. Internal service providers (including the Corporate Center), which operate on a nonprofit basis, allocate their noninterest expenses to the recipient of the service. The allocation criteria are generally contractually agreed and are either determined based upon "price per unit" (for areas with countable services) or "fixed price" or "agreed percentages" (for all areas without countable services).

Segmental Results of Operations

The following tables present the results of the business segments for the years ended December 31, 2003, 2002 and 2001. Numbers may not add up due to rounding.

| 2003 | Corporate and Investment Bank | | | Private Clients and Asset Management | | | Corporate Investments | Total Management Reporting |
|---|--------------------------------|----------------------------|---------------|--------------------------------------|----------------------------|--------------|-----------------------|----------------------------|
| | Corporate Banking & Securities | Global Transaction Banking | Total | Asset and Wealth Management | Private & Business Clients | Total | | |
| in € m. (except percentages) | | | | | | | | |
| Net revenues¹ | 11,710 | 2,469 | 14,180 | 3,841 | 4,385 | 8,226 | (916) | 21,490 |
| Provision for loan losses | 750 | 2 | 752 | 2 | 322 | 325 | 36 | 1,113 |
| Provision for off-balance sheet positions | 8 | (53) | (45) | (3) | (1) | (3) | (2) | (50) |
| Total provision for credit losses | 759 | (51) | 707 | (1) | 322 | 321 | 35 | 1,063 |
| Operating cost base ² | 8,226 | 1,735 | 9,961 | 3,092 | 3,606 | 6,698 | 681 | 17,340 |
| Policyholder benefits and claims | – | – | – | 21 | – | 21 | – | 21 |
| Minority interest | 13 | – | 13 | 13 | 2 | 15 | (31) | (3) |
| Restructuring activities | (23) | (6) | (29) | – | – | – | – | (29) |
| Goodwill impairment | – | – | – | – | – | – | 114 | 114 |
| Total noninterest expenses⁴ | 8,216 | 1,729 | 9,946 | 3,126 | 3,607 | 6,734 | 763 | 17,442 |
| Income (loss) before income taxes⁵ | 2,735 | 791 | 3,527 | 715 | 456 | 1,172 | (1,714) | 2,984 |
| Add (deduct) | | | | | | | | |
| Net (gains) losses from business sold/held for sale | – | (583) | (583) | (55) | 4 | (51) | 141 | (494) |
| Significant equity pick-ups/net (gains) losses from investments | – | – | – | – | – | – | 938 | 938 |
| Net (gains) losses on securities available for sale/industrial holdings including hedging | – | – | – | – | – | – | 184 | 184 |
| Net (gains) losses on the sale of premises | – | – | – | – | – | – | 107 | 107 |
| Restructuring activities | (23) | (6) | (29) | – | – | – | – | (29) |
| Goodwill impairment | – | – | – | – | – | – | 114 | 114 |
| Underlying pre-tax profit (loss) | 2,712 | 202 | 2,914 | 660 | 459 | 1,119 | (232) | 3,802 |
| Cost/income ratio in % | 70 | 70 | 70 | 81 | 82 | 82 | N/M | 81 |
| Underlying cost/income ratio in % | 70 | 92 | 73 | 82 | 82 | 82 | 150 | 78 |
| Assets ^{3, 6} | 693,414 | 16,709 | 681,722 | 48,138 | 78,477 | 124,606 | 18,987 | 795,818 |
| Expenditures for additions to long-lived assets | 391 | 99 | 490 | 36 | 47 | 82 | 141 | 713 |
| Risk-weighted positions (BIS risk positions) | 127,449 | 10,166 | 137,615 | 12,170 | 51,244 | 63,414 | 13,019 | 214,048 |
| Average active equity ⁷ | 12,849 | 1,409 | 14,258 | 6,324 | 1,521 | 7,844 | 5,236 | 27,338 |
| Return on average active equity in % | 21 | 56 | 25 | 11 | 30 | 15 | (33) | 11 |
| Underlying return on average active equity in % | 21 | 14 | 20 | 10 | 30 | 14 | (4) | 14 |
| ¹ Includes: | | | | | | | | |
| Net interest revenues | 2,502 | 642 | 3,144 | 290 | 2,377 | 2,666 | 142 | 5,952 |
| Net revenues from external customers | 11,601 | 2,602 | 14,202 | 4,053 | 4,092 | 8,145 | (963) | 21,384 |
| Net intersegment revenues | 110 | (133) | (23) | (212) | 294 | 82 | 47 | 106 |
| Net income (loss) from equity method investments | 163 | (1) | 163 | 166 | – | 166 | (757) | (428) |
| ² Includes: | | | | | | | | |
| Depreciation, depletion and amortization | 386 | 100 | 486 | 81 | 136 | 218 | 65 | 769 |
| Severance payments | 192 | 66 | 258 | 79 | 314 | 393 | 20 | 671 |
| ³ Includes: | | | | | | | | |
| Equity method investments | 1,889 | 37 | 1,927 | 380 | 30 | 410 | 3,511 | 5,848 |

⁴ Excludes provision for off-balance sheet positions (reclassified to provision for credit losses).

⁵ Before cumulative effect of accounting changes.

⁶ The sum of corporate divisions does not necessarily equal the total of the corresponding group division because of consolidation items between corporate divisions, which are to be eliminated on group division level. The same approach holds true for the sum of group divisions compared to Total Management Reporting.

⁷ For management reporting purposes goodwill and other intangible assets with indefinite lives are explicitly assigned to the respective divisions. Average active equity is first allocated to divisions according to goodwill and intangible assets, remaining average active equity is allocated to the divisions in proportion to the economic capital calculated for them.

N/M – Not meaningful.

| 2002 | Corporate and Investment Bank | | | Private Clients and Asset Management | | Corporate Investments | Total Management Reporting | |
|---|--------------------------------|----------------------------|---------------|--------------------------------------|----------------------------|-----------------------|----------------------------|---------------|
| | Corporate Banking & Securities | Global Transaction Banking | Total | Asset and Wealth Management | Private & Business Clients | | | Total |
| in € m. (except percentages) | | | | | | | | |
| Net revenues¹ | 11,164 | 2,612 | 13,776 | 3,747 | 5,772 | 9,518 | 3,000 | 26,295 |
| Provision for loan losses | 1,706 | 6 | 1,712 | 23 | 201 | 224 | 155 | 2,091 |
| Provision for off-balance sheet positions | 83 | (52) | 31 | – | (1) | (1) | (11) | 18 |
| Total provision for credit losses | 1,788 | (46) | 1,742 | 23 | 200 | 223 | 144 | 2,110 |
| Operating cost base ² | 8,710 | 2,200 | 10,909 | 3,243 | 3,880 | 7,123 | 1,228 | 19,260 |
| Policyholder benefits and claims | – | – | – | 35 | 650 | 685 | – | 685 |
| Minority interest | 8 | – | 8 | 25 | 7 | 32 | 3 | 43 |
| Restructuring activities | 316 | 26 | 342 | – | 240 | 240 | 1 | 583 |
| Goodwill impairment | – | – | – | – | – | – | 62 | 62 |
| Total noninterest expenses⁴ | 9,034 | 2,226 | 11,259 | 3,303 | 4,777 | 8,080 | 1,293 | 20,632 |
| Income (loss) before income taxes⁵ | 342 | 433 | 774 | 421 | 794 | 1,215 | 1,563 | 3,553 |
| Add (deduct) | | | | | | | | |
| Net (gains) losses from business sold/held for sale | – | – | – | (8) | (503) | (511) | (18) | (529) |
| Significant equity pick-ups/net (gains) losses from investments | – | – | – | – | – | – | 1,197 | 1,197 |
| Net (gains) losses on securities available for sale/industrial holdings including hedging | – | – | – | – | – | – | (3,659) | (3,659) |
| Change in measurement of other inherent loss allowance | 200 | – | 200 | – | – | – | – | 200 |
| Restructuring activities | 316 | 26 | 342 | – | 240 | 240 | 1 | 583 |
| Goodwill impairment | – | – | – | – | – | – | 62 | 62 |
| Underlying pre-tax profit (loss) | 858 | 458 | 1,316 | 413 | 532 | 945 | (855) | 1,406 |
| Cost/income ratio in % | 81 | 85 | 82 | 88 | 83 | 85 | 43 | 78 |
| Underlying cost/income ratio in % | 78 | 84 | 79 | 88 | 84 | 86 | N/M | 85 |
| Assets ^{3, 6} | 629,975 | 25,098 | 642,127 | 37,642 | 74,039 | 09,394 | 26,536 | 750,238 |
| Expenditures for additions to long-lived assets | 374 | 104 | 478 | 199 | 44 | 244 | 332 | 1,054 |
| Risk-weighted positions (BIS risk positions) | 142,211 | 12,949 | 155,160 | 11,800 | 47,690 | 59,490 | 19,219 | 233,870 |
| Average active equity ⁷ | 14,798 | 2,073 | 16,871 | 6,337 | 1,513 | 7,850 | 6,522 | 31,243 |
| Return on average active equity in % | 2 | 21 | 5 | 7 | 52 | 15 | 24 | 11 |
| Underlying return on average active equity in % | 6 | 22 | 8 | 7 | 35 | 12 | (13) | 5 |
| ¹ Includes: | | | | | | | | |
| Net interest revenues | 3,519 | 874 | 4,393 | 92 | 2,653 | 2,745 | 44 | 7,181 |
| Net revenues from external customers | 11,120 | 2,736 | 13,856 | 3,879 | 5,536 | 9,416 | 2,909 | 26,181 |
| Net intersegment revenues | 43 | (124) | (80) | (133) | 236 | 103 | 91 | 114 |
| Net income (loss) from equity method investments | (32) | 1 | (31) | 141 | 20 | 162 | (1,034) | (903) |
| ² Includes: | | | | | | | | |
| Depreciation, depletion and amortization | 474 | 143 | 617 | 103 | 224 | 327 | 132 | 1,076 |
| Severance payments | 242 | 18 | 260 | 87 | 49 | 136 | 19 | 416 |
| ³ Includes: | | | | | | | | |
| Equity method investments | 571 | 38 | 609 | 1,154 | 19 | 1,173 | 3,944 | 5,725 |

⁴ Excludes provision for off-balance sheet positions (reclassified to provision for credit losses).

⁵ Before cumulative effect of accounting changes.

⁶ The sum of corporate divisions does not necessarily equal the total of the corresponding group division because of consolidation items between corporate divisions, which are to be eliminated on group division level. The same approach holds true for the sum of group divisions compared to Total Management Reporting.

⁷ For management reporting purposes goodwill and other intangible assets with indefinite lives are explicitly assigned to the respective divisions. Average active equity is first allocated to divisions according to goodwill and intangible assets, remaining average active equity is allocated to the divisions in proportion to the economic capital calculated for them.

N/M – Not meaningful.

| 2001 | Corporate and Investment Bank | | | Private Clients and Asset Management | | Corporate Investments | Total Management Reporting | |
|---|--------------------------------|----------------------------|---------------|--------------------------------------|----------------------------|-----------------------|----------------------------|---------------|
| | Corporate Banking & Securities | Global Transaction Banking | Total | Asset and Wealth Management | Private & Business Clients | | | Total |
| in € m. (except percentages) | | | | | | | | |
| Net revenues¹ | 14,019 | 2,943 | 16,963 | 3,247 | 7,759 | 11,006 | 1,923 | 29,892 |
| Provision for loan losses | 630 | (19) | 611 | 12 | 193 | 205 | 199 | 1,015 |
| Provision for off-balance sheet positions | 5 | (34) | (29) | – | – | – | 3 | (26) |
| Total provision for credit losses | 636 | (53) | 582 | 12 | 193 | 205 | 201 | 988 |
| Operating cost base ² | 10,850 | 2,447 | 13,297 | 3,004 | 4,742 | 7,746 | 1,365 | 22,408 |
| Policyholder benefits and claims | – | – | – | 48 | 2,898 | 2,946 | – | 2,946 |
| Minority interest | 13 | 2 | 15 | 36 | 18 | 54 | 18 | 86 |
| Restructuring activities | 176 | 37 | 213 | 61 | 20 | 81 | – | 294 |
| Goodwill amortization | 425 | 66 | 490 | 197 | 36 | 233 | 135 | 858 |
| Total noninterest expenses⁴ | 11,463 | 2,552 | 14,016 | 3,346 | 7,715 | 11,060 | 1,517 | 26,593 |
| Income (loss) before income taxes⁵ | 1,920 | 444 | 2,365 | (110) | (149) | (259) | 204 | 2,310 |
| Add (deduct) | | | | | | | | |
| Net (gains) losses from business sold/held for sale | (180) | – | (180) | – | – | – | 80 | (100) |
| Significant equity pick-ups/net (gains) losses from investments | – | – | – | – | – | – | 1,292 | 1,292 |
| Net (gains) losses on securities available for sale/industrial holdings including hedging | – | – | – | – | – | – | (2,259) | (2,259) |
| Net (gains) losses on the sale of premises | – | – | – | – | – | – | (233) | (233) |
| Restructuring activities | 176 | 37 | 213 | 61 | 20 | 81 | – | 294 |
| Goodwill amortization | 425 | 66 | 490 | 197 | 36 | 233 | 135 | 858 |
| Underlying pre-tax profit (loss) | 2,341 | 548 | 2,889 | 147 | (92) | 55 | (781) | 2,163 |
| Cost/income ratio in % | 82 | 87 | 83 | 103 | 99 | 100 | 79 | 89 |
| Underlying cost/income ratio in % | 78 | 83 | 79 | 94 | 98 | 96 | 170 | 87 |
| Assets ^{3, 6} | 661,019 | 23,562 | 673,720 | 36,017 | 96,419 | 131,573 | 121,006 | 898,046 |
| Expenditures for additions to long-lived assets | 648 | 115 | 763 | 31 | 113 | 144 | 133 | 1,040 |
| Risk-weighted positions (BIS risk positions) | 166,400 | 18,256 | 184,656 | 14,393 | 45,360 | 59,753 | 56,202 | 300,612 |
| Average active equity ⁷ | 15,534 | 2,681 | 18,216 | 4,043 | 1,615 | 5,659 | 6,904 | 30,778 |
| Return on average active equity in % | 12 | 17 | 13 | (3) | (9) | (5) | 3 | 8 |
| Underlying return on average active equity in % | 15 | 20 | 16 | 4 | (6) | 1 | (11) | 7 |
| ¹ Includes: | | | | | | | | |
| Net interest revenues | 3,744 | 1,012 | 4,756 | 154 | 3,369 | 3,523 | 108 | 8,386 |
| Net revenues from external customers | 14,053 | 3,005 | 17,058 | 3,473 | 7,437 | 10,910 | 1,801 | 29,769 |
| Net intersegment revenues | (33) | (62) | (95) | (226) | 322 | 96 | 122 | 123 |
| Net income (loss) from equity method investments | (27) | – | (27) | (11) | 3 | (8) | (341) | (376) |
| ² Includes: | | | | | | | | |
| Depreciation, depletion and amortization | 485 | 138 | 623 | 91 | 318 | 410 | 84 | 1,117 |
| Severance payments | 259 | 42 | 302 | 33 | 72 | 105 | 13 | 420 |
| ³ Includes: | | | | | | | | |
| Equity method investments | 1,094 | – | 1,094 | 1,021 | 126 | 1,147 | 2,885 | 5,126 |

⁴ Excludes provision for off-balance sheet positions (reclassified to provision for credit losses).

⁵ Before cumulative effect of accounting changes.

⁶ The sum of corporate divisions does not necessarily equal the total of the corresponding group division because of consolidation items between corporate divisions, which are to be eliminated on group division level. The same approach holds true for the sum of group divisions compared to Total Management Reporting.

⁷ For management reporting purposes goodwill and other intangible assets with indefinite lives are explicitly assigned to the respective divisions. Average active equity is first allocated to divisions according to goodwill and intangible assets, remaining average active equity is allocated to the divisions in proportion to the economic capital calculated for them.

The following tables present the revenue components of the Corporate and Investment Bank Group Division and the Private Clients and Asset Management Group Division for the years ended December 31, 2003, 2002 and 2001, respectively:

| in € m. | Corporate and Investment Bank | | |
|---|-------------------------------|---------------|---------------|
| | 2003 | 2002 | 2001 |
| Sales & Trading (equity) | 3,091 | 2,473 | 3,768 |
| Sales & Trading (debt and other products) | 6,069 | 5,567 | 5,944 |
| Total Sales & Trading | 9,160 | 8,040 | 9,712 |
| Origination (equity) | 486 | 355 | 494 |
| Origination (debt) | 555 | 409 | 460 |
| Total Origination | 1,041 | 764 | 954 |
| Advisory | 470 | 528 | 579 |
| Loan products | 1,471 | 2,134 | 2,752 |
| Transaction services | 1,886 | 2,612 | 2,943 |
| Other | 152 | (302) | 22 |
| Total | 14,180 | 13,776 | 16,963 |

| in € m. | Private Clients and Asset Management | | |
|--|--------------------------------------|--------------|---------------|
| | 2003 | 2002 | 2001 |
| Portfolio/fund management | 2,615 | 2,730 | 2,168 |
| Brokerage | 1,591 | 1,515 | 1,685 |
| Loan/deposit products | 2,330 | 2,425 | 2,471 |
| Payments, account & remaining financial services | 823 | 849 | 889 |
| Other | 867 | 2,000 | 3,794 |
| Total | 8,226 | 9,518 | 11,006 |

Reconciliation of Segmental Results of Operations to Consolidated Results of Operations According to U.S. GAAP

The following tables provide a reconciliation of the total results of operations and total assets of the Group's business segments under management reporting systems to the consolidated financial statements prepared in accordance with U.S. GAAP for the years ended December 31, 2003, 2002 and 2001.

| in € m. | 2003 | | | 2002 | | | 2001 | | |
|--|----------------------------|-----------------------------|--------------------|----------------------------|-----------------------------|--------------------|----------------------------|-----------------------------|--------------------|
| | Total Management Reporting | Consolidation & Adjustments | Total Consolidated | Total Management Reporting | Consolidation & Adjustments | Total Consolidated | Total Management Reporting | Consolidation & Adjustments | Total Consolidated |
| Net revenues ¹ | 21,490 | (222) | 21,268 | 26,295 | 252 | 26,547 | 29,892 | (351) | 29,541 |
| Provision for loan losses | 1,113 | - | 1,113 | 2,091 | - | 2,091 | 1,015 | 9 | 1,024 |
| Provision for off-balance sheet positions | (50) | - | (50) | 18 | (1) | 17 | (26) | (4) | (30) |
| Total provision for credit losses | 1,063 | | | 2,110 | | | 988 | | |
| Noninterest expenses ² | 17,442 | 7 | 17,449 | 20,632 | 258 | 20,890 | 26,593 | 150 | 26,744 |
| Income (loss) before income taxes³ | 2,984 | (228) | 2,756 | 3,553 | (4) | 3,549 | 2,310 | (507) | 1,803 |
| Total assets | 795,818 | 7,796 | 803,614 | 750,238 | 8,117 | 758,355 | 898,046 | 20,176 | 918,222 |
| Risk-weighted positions (BIS risk positions) | 214,048 | 1,625 | 215,672 | 233,870 | 3,609 | 237,479 | 300,612 | 4,468 | 305,079 |
| Average active equity | 27,338 | 48 | 27,386 | 31,243 | 2 | 31,245 | 30,778 | - | 30,778 |

¹ Net interest revenues and noninterest revenues.

² Excludes provision for off-balance sheet positions (reclassified to provision for credit losses).

³ Before cumulative effect of accounting changes.

The two primary components recorded in Consolidation & Adjustments are differences in accounting methods used for management reporting versus U.S. GAAP as well as results and balances from activities outside the management responsibility of the business segments.

Loss before income taxes was € 228 million in 2003, € 4 million in 2002 and € 507 million in 2001.

Net revenues included the following items:

- Adjustments related to positions which are marked to market for management reporting purposes and accounted for on an accrual basis under U.S. GAAP were approximately € (200) million in 2003, € 100 million in 2002 and € (200) million in 2001.
- Trading results from the Group's own shares are reflected in the Corporate Banking & Securities Corporate Division. The elimination of such results under U.S. GAAP resulted in credits of approximately € 200 million in each of the years 2003 and 2002 within Consolidation & Adjustments.
- Debits related to the elimination of Group-internal rental income were € (106) million in 2003, € (115) million in 2002 and € (122) million in 2001.
- Insurance premiums of € 79 million in each of the years 2003 and 2002 and of € 39 million in 2001 were primarily related to the Group's re-insurance subsidiary which is not managed by an individual business segment.
- Mark-to-market losses for hedges related to share-based compensation plans were approximately € (100) million in 2002 and € (300) million in 2001.

- The remainder of net revenues in each year was due to other corporate items outside the management responsibility of the business segments, such as net funding expenses for non-divisionalized assets/liabilities and results from hedging capital of certain foreign subsidiaries.

Provisions for loan losses and provision for off-balance sheet provisions included no material items in each of the reported year.

Noninterest expenses reflected the following items:

- Credits related to the elimination of Group-internal rental expenses were € 106 million in 2003, € 115 million in 2002 and € 122 million in 2001.
- Policyholder benefits and claims of € 89 million in 2003, € 74 million in 2002 and € 56 million in 2001 were primarily related to the Group's re-insurance subsidiary which is not managed by an individual business segment.
- Credits related to certain share-based compensation plans were approximately € 100 million in each of the years 2002 and 2001 were not allocated to the business segments.
- Buyout costs for the Global Equity Plan amounted to approximately € (100) million in 2001.
- The remainder of noninterest expenses in each year was attributable to other corporate items outside of the management responsibility of the business segments. 2002 included charges for certain legal-related provisions of approximately € 170 million.

Assets and risk-weighted positions reflect corporate assets outside of the management responsibility of the business segments such as deferred tax assets and central clearing accounts.

Average active equity assigned to Consolidation and Adjustments was not material for each of the reported years.

Total net Revenues (net of Provision for Loan Losses) by Geographical Location

The following table presents net revenues (including provision for loan losses) by geographical location:

| in € m. | 2003 | 2002 | 2001 |
|--|---------------|---------------|---------------|
| Germany | 5,786 | 10,676 | 12,788 |
| Europe (excluding Germany) ¹ | 7,294 | 6,237 | 7,443 |
| North America (primarily U.S.) | 5,058 | 5,218 | 6,106 |
| South America | 70 | 175 | 211 |
| Asia-Pacific | 1,947 | 2,150 | 1,969 |
| Consolidated net revenues² | 20,155 | 24,456 | 28,517 |

¹ Includes revenues from Africa, which were not material in 2003, 2002 and 2001.

² Consolidated total net revenues comprise interest revenues, interest expense, provision for loan losses and total noninterest revenues (including net commission and fee revenues). Revenues are attributed to countries based on the location in which the Group's booking office is located.

[29] Restructuring Activities

Restructuring plans are recorded in conjunction with acquisitions as well as business realignments. Severance includes employee termination benefits related to the involuntary termination of employees. Such costs include obligations resulting from severance agreements, termination of employment contracts and early-retirement agreements. Other costs primarily include amounts for lease terminations and related costs.

The following table presents the activity in the Group's restructuring programs for the years ended December 31, 2003, 2002, and 2001:

| in € m. | Group Restructuring | | Scudder Restructuring | | 2002 Plans CIB Restructuring | | 2001 Plan Group Restructuring | | Total |
|---|--------------------------------|-------|-----------------------|-------|---------------------------------|-------|----------------------------------|-------|------------------|
| | Severance | Other | Severance | Other | Severance | Other | Severance | Other | |
| | Balance at Dec 31, 2000 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | |
| Additions | - | - | - | - | - | - | 234 | 60 | 294 |
| Utilization | - | - | - | - | - | - | 22 | - | 22 |
| Balance at Dec 31, 2001 | - | - | - | - | - | - | 212 | 60 | 272 |
| Additions | 235 | 105 | 83 | 3 | 215 | 50 | - | - | 691 ¹ |
| Utilization | 203 | 92 | 57 | - | 77 | 27 | 173 | 54 | 683 |
| Releases | - | - | - | - | - | - | 20 | 2 | 22 |
| Effects from exchange rate fluctuations | (2) | (1) | (12) | - | (10) | (4) | (19) | (4) | (52) |
| Balance at Dec 31, 2002 | 30 | 12 | 14 | 3 | 128 | 19 | - | - | 206 |
| Utilization | 30 | 11 | 9 | 3 | 99 | 9 | - | - | 161 |
| Releases | - | - | 4 | - | 21 | 8 | - | - | 33 ² |
| Effects from exchange rate fluctuations | - | (1) | (1) | - | (8) | (2) | - | - | (12) |
| Balance at Dec 31, 2003 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |

¹ Scudder restructuring of € 86 million was recorded as goodwill; net expense, after releases, was € 583 million.

² Scudder restructuring reserve releases of € 4 million were recorded against goodwill. € 29 million related to the CIB restructuring was released against net income.

During the year ended December 31, 2003, approximately 1,200 employees were terminated in conjunction with the various 2002 plans, resulting in payments of € 138 million against restructuring liabilities. There were no new restructuring plans recorded in 2003. During the year ended December 31, 2002, approximately 5,400 employees were terminated, resulting in a payment of € 510 million against restructuring liabilities.

The following is a description of the Group's restructuring plans.

2002 Plans

Group Restructuring. The Group recorded a pre-tax charge of € 340 million in the first quarter of 2002 related to restructuring activities affecting PCAM (€ 246 million), CIB (€ 93 million) and CI (€ 1 million). These restructuring plans affected approximately 2,100 staff and included a broad range of measures primarily to streamline the Group's branch network in Germany, as well as its infrastructure.

As of December 31, 2002, approximately 2,000 positions were eliminated. During the year ended December 31, 2003, approximately 100 additional employees were terminated in connection with the plan.

CIB Restructuring. In the second quarter of 2002, the Group recorded a restructuring liability of € 265 million related to the CIB Group Division. The plan affected approximately 2,000 staff, across all levels of the Group. The restructuring resulted from detailed business reviews and reflected the Group's outlook for the markets in which it operates. It related to banking coverage, execution and relationship management processes; custody; trade finance and other transaction banking activities; and the related technology, settlement, real estate and other support functions.

As of December 31, 2002, approximately 800 positions were eliminated. During the year ended December 31, 2003, approximately 950 additional employees were terminated in connection with the plan. Due primarily to lower headcount, the restructuring program was completed at lower than anticipated costs. Therefore, € 21 million of staff-related reserves and € 8 million of infrastructure-related reserves were released during 2003.

Scudder Restructuring. During 2002, the Group recorded a restructuring liability of € 86 million related to restructuring activities in connection with the acquisition of Zurich Scudder Investments, Inc. Of this amount, approximately € 83 million of severance and other termination-related costs and € 3 million for other costs, primarily related to lease terminations, were recognized as a liability assumed as of the acquisition date and charged directly to goodwill. This restructuring plan affected approximately 1,000 Scudder staff.

As of December 31, 2002, approximately 850 positions were eliminated. During the year ended December 31, 2003, approximately 100 additional employees were terminated in connection with the plan. Reserves of € 4 million were released against goodwill in 2003.

2001 Plan

Group Restructuring. The Group recorded a pre-tax charge of € 294 million in the fourth quarter of 2001 related to a restructuring plan affecting CIB and PCAM. Of the total € 294 million original charge, € 213 billion related to the restructuring measures in CIB and € 81 million to PCAM, including € 14 million related to Private Clients Services (PCS) business line that was transferred from PCAM to CIB. The Group planned for a reduction of approximately 2,400 staff across all levels of the Group.

The restructuring in CIB covered steps to be taken because of changing market conditions in the year 2001 and to give further effect to the CIB organizational and business model that was created during 2001. It primarily impacted CIB's customer coverage and relationship management processes, certain aspects of the cash management, custody and trade finance businesses of Global Transaction Banking and the related elements of the settlement, infrastructure and real estate support functions.

The plan also included the further streamlining of the senior management structure in PCAM because of the re-organization of that group division's business model and operations, including real estate support.

As of December 31, 2001, approximately 200 positions were eliminated. During the year ended December 31, 2002, approximately 1,800 additional employees were terminated in connection with the plan. Due primarily to higher than expected staff attrition, actions related to the remaining positions included in the restructuring plan were not taken

and, therefore, reserves of € 20 million were released in 2002. The remaining infrastructure related reserve of € 2 million was also released during 2002.

[30] International Operations

The following table presents asset and income statement information by major geographic area. The information presented has been classified based primarily on the location of the Group's office in which the assets and transactions are recorded. However, due to the highly integrated nature of the Group's operations, estimates and assumptions have been made to allocate items between regions.

| 2003 in € m. | Total Assets | Total Gross Revenues ¹ | Total Gross Expenses ¹ | Income (Loss) Before Taxes ² | Net Income (Loss) |
|--|----------------|--------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|----------------------|
| International operations: | | | | | |
| Europe (excluding Germany) ³ | 327,835 | 17,674 | 15,954 | 1,720 | 837 |
| North America (primarily U.S.) | 221,048 | 10,156 | 9,853 | 303 | 233 |
| South America | 1,277 | 575 | 575 | – | – |
| Asia-Pacific | 60,101 | 3,389 | 2,877 | 512 | 357 |
| Total international | 610,261 | 31,794 | 29,259 | 2,535 | 1,427 |
| Domestic operations (Germany) | 193,353 | 11,210 | 10,989 | 221 | (62) |
| Total | 803,614 | 43,004 | 40,248 | 2,756 | 1,365 |
| International as a percentage of total above | 76% | 74% | 73% | 92% | 105% |

¹ Total gross revenues comprise interest revenues and total noninterest revenues (including net commissions and fee revenues). Total gross expenses comprise interest expense, provision for loan losses and total noninterest expenses.

² Before cumulative effect of accounting changes.

³ Includes balance sheet and income statement data from Africa, which were not material in 2003.

| 2002 in € m. | Total Assets | Total Gross Revenues ¹ | Total Gross Expenses ¹ | Income (Loss) Before Taxes ² | Net Income (Loss) |
|--|----------------|--------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|----------------------|
| International operations: | | | | | |
| Europe (excluding Germany) ³ | 286,545 | 18,938 | 18,618 | 320 | 309 |
| North America (primarily U.S.) | 205,375 | 13,352 | 14,129 | (777) | (488) |
| South America | 1,051 | 963 | 877 | 86 | 52 |
| Asia-Pacific | 48,612 | 3,863 | 3,271 | 592 | 397 |
| Total international | 541,583 | 37,116 | 36,895 | 211 | 270 |
| Domestic operations (Germany) | 216,772 | 18,026 | 14,698 | 3,328 | 127 |
| Total | 758,355 | 55,142 | 51,593 | 3,549 | 397 |
| International as a percentage of total above | 71% | 67% | 72% | 6% | 68% |

¹ Total gross revenues comprise interest revenues and total noninterest revenues (including net commissions and fee revenues). Total gross expenses comprise interest expense, provision for loan losses and total noninterest expenses.

² Before cumulative effect of accounting changes.

³ Includes balance sheet and income statement data from Africa, which were not material in 2002.

| 2001 in € m. | Total Assets | Total Gross Revenues ¹ | Total Gross Expenses ¹ | Income (Loss) Before Taxes ² | Net Income (Loss) |
|---|----------------|--------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|----------------------|
| International operations: | | | | | |
| Europe (excluding Germany) ³ | 313,068 | 23,952 | 22,780 | 1,172 | 620 |
| North America (primarily U.S.) | 237,456 | 21,794 | 22,500 | (706) | (901) |
| South America | 2,433 | 816 | 708 | 108 | 41 |
| Asia-Pacific | 57,130 | 4,842 | 4,697 | 145 | 7 |
| Total international | 610,087 | 51,404 | 50,685 | 719 | (233) |
| Domestic operations (Germany) | 308,135 | 23,156 | 22,072 | 1,084 | 400 |
| Total | 918,222 | 74,560 | 72,757 | 1,803 | 167 |
| International as a percentage of total above | 66% | 69% | 70% | 40% | N/M |

¹ Total gross revenues comprise interest revenues and total noninterest revenues (including net commissions and fee revenues). Total gross expenses comprise interest expense, provision for loan losses and total noninterest expenses.

² Before cumulative effect of accounting changes.

³ Includes balance sheet and income statement data from Africa, which were not material in 2001.

N/M – Not meaningful.

[31] Derivative Financial Instruments and Financial Instruments with Off-Balance Sheet Risk

In the normal course of business, the Group enters into a variety of derivative transactions for both trading and nontrading purposes. The Group's objectives in using derivative instruments are to meet customers' needs, to manage the Group's exposure to risks and to generate revenues through trading activities. Derivative contracts used by the Group in both trading and nontrading activities include swaps, futures, forwards, options and other similar types of contracts based on interest rates, foreign exchange rates, credit risk and the prices of equities and commodities (or related indices).

Derivatives Held or Issued for Trading Purposes

The Group trades derivative instruments on behalf of customers and for its own positions. The Group transacts derivative contracts to address customer demands both as a market maker in the wholesale markets and in structuring tailored derivatives for customers. The Group also takes proprietary positions for its own accounts. Trading derivative products include swaps, options, forwards and futures and a variety of structured derivatives which are based on interest rates, equities, credit, foreign exchange and commodities.

Derivatives Held or Issued for Nontrading Purposes

Derivatives held or issued for nontrading purposes primarily consist of interest rate swaps used to manage interest rate risk. Through the use of these derivatives, the Group is able to modify the volatility and interest rate characteristics of its nontrading interest-earning assets and interest-bearing liabilities. The Group is subject to risk from interest rate fluctuations to the extent that there is a gap between the amount of interest-earning assets and the amount of interest-bearing liabilities that mature or reprice in specified periods. The Group actively manages this interest rate risk through, among other things, the use of derivative contracts. Utilization of derivative financial instruments is modified from time to time within prescribed limits in response to changing market conditions, as well as changes in the characteristics and mix of the related assets and liabilities.

The Group also uses cross-currency interest rate swaps to hedge both foreign currency and interest rate risks from securities available for sale.

For these hedges, the Group applies either fair value or cash flow hedge accounting when cost beneficial. When hedging only interest rate risk, fair value hedge accounting is applied for hedges of assets or liabilities with fixed interest rates, and cash flow hedge accounting is applied for hedges of floating interest rates. When hedging both

foreign currency and interest rate risks, cash flow hedge accounting is applied when all functional-currency-equivalent cash flows have been fixed, otherwise fair value hedge accounting is applied.

For the years ended December 31, 2003, 2002 and 2001, net hedge ineffectiveness from fair value hedges, which is based on changes in fair value resulting from changes in the market price or rate related to the risk being hedged, and amounts excluded from the assessment of hedge effectiveness resulted in a loss of € 82 million, a loss of € 81 million and a gain of € 34 million, respectively. As of December 31, 2003, the longest term cash flow hedge outstanding, excluding hedges of existing variable rate instruments, matures in 2013.

Derivatives entered into for nontrading purposes that do not qualify for hedge accounting are also classified as trading assets and liabilities. These include interest rate swaps, credit derivatives, foreign exchange forwards and cross currency interest rate swaps used to economically hedge interest and foreign exchange risk, but for which it is not cost beneficial to apply hedge accounting. Also included are negotiated transactions related to the Group's industrial holdings classified as available for sale, which the Group has entered into for strategic and economic purposes despite the fact that hedge accounting is precluded.

Net (gains) losses of € (13) million, € 226 million and € 27 million from nontrading equity derivatives used to offset fluctuations in employee share-based compensation expense were included in compensation and benefits for the years ended December 31, 2003, 2002 and 2001, respectively.

Derivative Financial Instruments Indexed to Our Own Stock

The Group enters into contracts indexed to Deutsche Bank common shares to acquire shares to satisfy employee share-based compensation awards, and for trading purposes.

At December 31, 2003, the Group had outstanding call options to purchase approximately 3.5 million shares at a weighted-average strike price of € 67.11 per share related to employee share-based compensation awards. The options must be net-cash settled and they mature in less than five years. The fair value of these options amounted to € 37.5 million at December 31, 2003. A € 1 decrease in the price of Deutsche Bank common shares would have reduced the fair value of these options by € 0.8 million.

Related to trading activities, the following derivative contracts that are indexed to Deutsche Bank's own shares are outstanding at December 31, 2003.

| Type of Contract | Settlement Alternative | Maturity | Number of Issuers Shares to which Contracts are Indexed | Weighted-average Strike Price (in €) | Effect of Decrease of Share Price by € 1 (€ in thousands) | Fair Value of Contract Asset (Liability) (€ in thousands) |
|--------------------|--------------------------------|---------------------|---|--------------------------------------|---|---|
| Purchased Options | Net-cash | Up to 3 months | 1,610,900 | 54.63 | (300) | 14,239 |
| | | > 3 months – 1 year | 1,681,567 | 64.38 | (693) | 15,899 |
| | | > 1 year – 5 years | 5,495,842 | 66.73 | (1,259) | 37,148 |
| Sold Options | Net-cash | Up to 3 months | 12,833,072 | 91.27 | 516 | (6,059) |
| | | > 3 months – 1 year | 3,416,600 | 58.21 | 209 | (20,425) |
| | | > 1 year – 5 years | 1,311,213 | 65.35 | 1,282 | (1,354) |
| Forward Purchases | Deutsche Bank choice | Up to 3 months | 12,000,000 | 59.25 | (12,000) | 76,115 |
| | Net-cash/physical ¹ | > 3 months – 1 year | 29,779,780 | 66.25 | (29,780) | (33,357) |
| | | > 1 year – 5 years | 3,720,220 | 69.00 | (3,720) | (15,130) |
| Forward Sales | Counterparty choice | | | | | |
| | Net-cash/physical ¹ | > 3 months – 1 year | 3,067,276 | 72.76 | 3,067 | 26,954 |
| > 1 year – 5 years | | 41,195,879 | 50.65 | 41,196 | (474,562) | |

¹ Fair values do not differ significantly relating to settlement alternatives.

The above contracts related to trading activities are accounted for as trading assets and liabilities and are thus carried at fair value with changes in fair value recorded in earnings.

Financial Instruments with Off-Balance Sheet Credit Risk

The Group utilizes various lending-related commitments in order to meet the financing needs of its customers. The contractual amount of these commitments is the maximum amount at risk for the Group if the customer fails to meet its obligations. Off-balance sheet credit risk amounts are determined without consideration of the value of any related collateral and reflect the total potential loss on undrawn commitments. The table below summarizes our lending-related commitments:

| in € m. | Dec 31, 2003 | Dec 31, 2002 |
|------------------------------|--------------|--------------|
| Commitments to extend credit | | |
| Fixed rates ¹ | 22,318 | 21,724 |
| Variable rates ² | 66,566 | 81,802 |

¹ Includes commitments to extend commercial letters of credit and guarantees of € 2.3 billion and € 2.2 billion at December 31, 2003 and 2002, respectively.

² Includes commitments to extend commercial letters of credit and guarantees of € 833 million and € 1.3 billion at December 31, 2003 and 2002, respectively.

In addition, as of December 31, 2003, commitments to enter into reverse repurchase and repurchase agreements totaled € 39.3 billion and € 23.5 billion, respectively. Commitments to enter into reverse repurchase and repurchase agreements amounted to € 38.1 billion and € 21.8 billion, respectively, as of December 31, 2002.

As of December 31, 2003 and 2002 the Group had commitments to contribute capital to equity method and other investments totaling € 399 million and € 829 million, respectively.

In connection with building leases, Group companies entered into commitments to purchase premises at the termination of the underlying contracts. The total obligation, primarily based on the estimated market values at termination date in the years 2019, 2020 and 2026 amounts to € 234 million.

The Group also enters regularly into various guarantee and indemnification agreements in the normal course of business. Probable losses under financial guarantees are provided for as part of the allowance for credit losses on

lending-related commitments as shown in Note 8. The principal guarantees and indemnifications that the Group enters into are the following:

Financial guarantees, standby letters of credit and performance guarantees, with a carrying amount of € 666 million and € 610 million and with maximum potential payments of € 23.8 billion and € 32.6 billion as of December 31, 2003 and 2002, respectively, generally require the Group to make payments to the guaranteed party based on another's failure to meet its obligations or to perform under an obligating agreement. Most of these guarantees (€ 14.8 billion) mature within five years, for € 1.9 billion the duration is more than five years and € 7.1 billion have revolving terms. These guarantees are collateralized with cash, securities and other collateral of € 5.5 billion and € 5.4 billion as of December 31, 2003 and 2002, respectively.

Market value guarantees with a carrying amount of € 9 million as of December 31, 2002 consist of agreements to pay customers if the value of mutual fund units purchased fall below a certain amount. The maximum amount of potential payments as of December 31, 2002 was € 13.5 billion and represented the total volume guaranteed of the respective funds. These guarantees have revolving terms and generally are not collateralized. The mutual funds to which these guarantees relate are consolidated effective July 1, 2003 with the application of FIN 46. The Group now records a liability on the Consolidated Balance Sheet related to the assets of these mutual funds.

Upon exercise, written put options effectively require the Group to pay for a decline in market value related to the counterparty's underlying asset or liability. The carrying amount and maximum potential payments of written puts as of December 31, 2003 was € 4.9 billion and € 66.2 billion, respectively. The carrying amount and maximum potential payments of written puts as of December 31, 2002, was € 10.4 billion and € 64.5 billion, respectively. More than half of the puts (€ 35.1 billion) mature within one year, € 20.7 billion have remaining exercise periods of more than one and up to five years and € 10.4 billion have remaining terms of more than five years. Additionally, credit derivatives requiring payment by the Group in the event of default of debt obligations have a carrying and maximum potential payment amount of € 1 million and € 53 million, respectively, related to negative market values and € 588 million and € 2.3 billion, respectively, related to positive market values. Nearly all credit derivatives have remaining terms of one to five years. These contracts are typically uncollateralized.

Securities lending indemnifications require the Group to indemnify customers for the replacement costs or market value of securities loaned to third parties in the event the third parties fail to return the securities. These indemnifications had a maximum potential payment amount of € 45.3 billion and € 46.1 billion, at December 31, 2003 and 2002, respectively, with contract terms up to 6 months. The Group primarily receives cash as collateral in excess of the contract amounts. This collateral totaled € 45.9 billion and € 46.6 billion at December 31, 2003 and 2002, respectively.

[32] Concentrations of Credit Risk

The Group distinguishes its credit exposures among the following categories: loans, contingent liabilities, over-the-counter ("OTC") derivatives and tradable assets.

Loans exclude interest-earning deposits with banks, other claims (mostly unsettled balances from securities transactions) and accrued interest and include unearned (deferred) income net of origination costs.

Contingent liabilities include liabilities from guarantees, indemnity agreements and letters of credit. They exclude other commitments such as irrevocable loan commitments and placement and underwriting commitments. They also exclude other quantifiable indemnities and commitments.

OTC derivatives are the Group's credit exposures arising from OTC, derivative transactions. Credit exposure in OTC derivatives is measured by the cost to replace the contract if the counterparty defaults on its obligation, after netting. The costs of replacement amount to only a small portion of the notional amount of a derivative transaction. The Group calculates its credit exposure under OTC derivative transactions at any time as the replacement costs of the transactions based on marking them to market at that time.

Tradable assets, as defined for this purpose, include bonds, other fixed-income products and traded loans.

The following tables represent an overview of the Group's total credit exposure (other than credit exposure arising from repurchase and reverse repurchase agreements, securities lending and borrowing, interest-earning deposits with banks and irrevocable loan commitments) according to the industrial sectors and the geographical regions of the Group's counterparties. Credit exposure for these purposes consists of all transactions where losses might occur due to the fact that counterparties will not fulfill their contractual payment obligations. The gross amount of the exposure has been calculated without taking any collateral into account.

| Credit Risk Profile by Industry Sector | Loans | | Contingent Liabilities | | OTC Derivatives | | Tradable Assets | | Total | |
|--|---------------------|---------------------|------------------------|---------------|-----------------|---------------|-----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|
| | 2003 | 2002 | 2003 | 2002 | 2003 | 2002 | 2003 | 2002 | 2003 | 2002 |
| Banks and insurance | 10,521 | 10,720 | 4,990 | 8,189 | 46,597 | 44,970 | 62,480 | 47,686 | 124,588 | 111,565 |
| Manufacturing | 16,155 | 22,545 | 7,834 | 10,211 | 1,997 | 2,389 | 18,241 | 17,142 | 44,227 | 52,287 |
| Households | 54,937 | 53,207 | 862 | 473 | 357 | 281 | - | - | 56,156 | 53,961 |
| Public sector | 2,309 | 4,584 | 377 | 241 | 3,984 | 1,792 | 104,648 | 95,356 | 111,318 | 101,973 |
| Wholesale and retail trade | 11,824 | 14,467 | 2,454 | 2,876 | 691 | 688 | 3,589 | 2,583 | 18,558 | 20,614 |
| Commercial real estate activities | 13,606 | 18,360 | 722 | 1,014 | 300 | 688 | 1,447 | 2,657 | 16,075 | 22,719 |
| Other | 38,875 ¹ | 47,737 ¹ | 9,298 | 11,200 | 6,545 | 9,487 | 38,064 | 31,157 | 92,782 | 99,581 |
| Total | 148,227 | 171,620 | 26,537 | 34,204 | 60,471 | 60,295 | 228,469 | 196,581 | 463,704 | 462,700 |

¹ Includes lease financing.

In the following table, exposures have been allocated to regions based on the domicile of the Group's counterparties, irrespective of any affiliations the counterparties may have with corporate groups domiciled elsewhere.

| Credit Risk Profile by Region in € m. | Loans | | Contingent Liabilities | | OTC Derivatives | | Tradable Assets | | Total | |
|---|----------------|----------------|------------------------|---------------|-----------------|---------------|-----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|
| | 2003 | 2002 | 2003 | 2002 | 2003 | 2002 | 2003 | 2002 | 2003 | 2002 |
| Eastern Europe | 1,372 | 1,679 | 491 | 730 | 588 | 678 | 2,840 | 4,186 | 5,291 | 7,273 |
| Western Europe | 120,136 | 133,732 | 16,283 | 23,618 | 35,428 | 35,094 | 87,969 | 76,971 | 259,816 | 269,415 |
| Africa | 395 | 618 | 192 | 177 | 224 | 451 | 1,086 | 951 | 1,897 | 2,197 |
| Asia/Pacific | 7,176 | 8,517 | 2,624 | 3,561 | 7,072 | 4,515 | 36,019 | 30,493 | 52,891 | 47,086 |
| North America | 17,038 | 24,643 | 6,752 | 5,814 | 15,495 | 17,698 | 94,632 | 78,464 | 133,917 | 126,619 |
| Central and South America | 2,075 | 2,373 | 195 | 296 | 571 | 597 | 3,850 | 2,984 | 6,691 | 6,250 |
| Other ¹ | 35 | 58 | – | 8 | 1,093 | 1,262 | 2,073 | 2,532 | 3,201 | 3,860 |
| Total | 148,227 | 171,620 | 26,537 | 34,204 | 60,471 | 60,295 | 228,469 | 196,581 | 463,704 | 462,700 |

¹ Includes supranational organizations and other exposures that have not been allocated to a single region.

[33] Fair Value of Financial Instruments

SFAS No. 107, "Disclosures about Fair Value of Financial Instruments," ("SFAS 107") requires the disclosure of fair value information about financial instruments, whether or not recognized in the balance sheet, for which it is practicable to estimate that value. Quoted market prices, when available, are used as the measure of fair value. In cases where quoted market prices are not available, fair values are based on present value estimates or other valuation techniques. These derived fair values are significantly affected by assumptions used, principally the timing of future cash flows and the discount rate. Because assumptions are inherently subjective in nature, the estimated fair values cannot be substantiated by comparison to independent market quotes and, in many cases, the estimated fair values would not necessarily be realized in an immediate sale or settlement of the instrument. The disclosure requirements of SFAS 107 exclude certain financial instruments and all nonfinancial instruments (e.g., franchise value of businesses). Accordingly, the aggregate fair value amounts presented do not represent management's estimation of the underlying value of the Group.

The following are the estimated fair values of the Group's financial instruments recognized on the Consolidated Balance Sheet, followed by a general description of the methods and assumptions used to estimate such fair values.

| in € m. | Carrying Amount | | Fair Value | |
|--|-----------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| | Dec 31, 2003 | Dec 31, 2002 | Dec 31, 2003 | Dec 31, 2002 |
| Financial Assets | | | | |
| Cash and due from banks | 6,636 | 8,979 | 6,636 | 8,979 |
| Interest-earning deposits with banks | 14,649 | 25,691 | 14,660 | 25,715 |
| Central bank funds sold and securities purchased under resale agreements and securities borrowed | 185,215 | 155,258 | 185,351 | 155,302 |
| Trading assets | 345,371 | 294,679 | 345,371 | 294,679 |
| Securities available for sale | 24,631 | 21,619 | 24,631 | 21,619 |
| Other investments | 2,398 | 4,504 | 2,398 | 4,504 |
| Loans (excluding leases), net | 140,963 | 163,002 | 143,014 | 165,486 |
| Other financial assets | 53,812 | 49,201 | 53,812 | 49,211 |
| Financial Liabilities | | | | |
| Noninterest-bearing deposits | 28,168 | 30,558 | 28,168 | 30,558 |
| Interest-bearing deposits | 277,986 | 297,067 | 278,262 | 296,936 |
| Trading liabilities | 153,234 | 131,212 | 153,234 | 131,212 |
| Central bank funds purchased and securities sold under repurchase agreements and securities loaned | 117,250 | 99,499 | 117,348 | 99,515 |
| Other short-term borrowings | 22,290 | 11,573 | 22,315 | 11,581 |
| Other financial liabilities | 72,132 | 46,718 | 72,126 | 46,693 |
| Long-term debt ¹ | 97,480 | 107,158 | 97,848 | 108,414 |

¹ Includes trust preferred securities as of December 31, 2002.

Methods and Assumptions

For short-term financial instruments, defined as those with remaining maturities of 90 days or less, the carrying amounts were considered to be a reasonable estimate of fair value. The following instruments were predominantly short-term:

| Assets | Liabilities |
|--|--|
| Cash and due from banks | Interest-bearing deposits |
| Central bank funds sold and securities purchased under resale agreements and securities borrowed | Central bank funds purchased and securities sold under repurchase agreements and securities loaned |
| Interest-earning deposits with banks | Other short-term borrowings |
| Other financial assets | Other financial liabilities |

For those components of the above listed financial instruments with remaining maturities greater than 90 days, fair value was determined by discounting contractual cash flows using rates which could be earned for assets with similar remaining maturities and, in the case of liabilities, rates at which the liabilities with similar remaining maturities could be issued as of the balance sheet date.

Trading assets (including derivatives), trading liabilities and securities available for sale are carried at their fair values.

For short-term loans and variable rate loans which reprice within 90 days, the carrying value was considered to be a reasonable estimate of fair value. For those loans for which quoted market prices were available, fair value was based on such prices. For other types of loans, fair value was estimated by discounting future cash flows using the current rates at which similar loans would be made to borrowers with similar credit ratings and for the same remaining maturities. In addition, the specific loss component of the allowance for loan losses, including recoverable amounts of collateral, was considered in the fair value determination of loans. Other investments

consist primarily of investments in equity instruments (excluding, in accordance with SFAS 107, investments accounted for under the equity method).

Other financial assets consisted primarily of accounts receivable, accrued interest receivable, cash and cash margins with brokers and due from customers on acceptances.

Noninterest-bearing deposits do not have defined maturities. Fair value represents the amount payable on demand as of the balance sheet date.

Other financial liabilities consisted primarily of accounts payable, accrued interest payable, accrued expenses and acceptances outstanding.

The fair value of long-term debt was estimated by using market quotes, as well as discounting the remaining contractual cash flows using a rate at which the Group could issue debt with a similar remaining maturity as of the balance sheet date.

The fair value of commitments to extend credit was estimated by using market quotes. On this basis, at December 31, 2003, the fair value of commitments to extend credit approximated the allowance for these commitments of € 101 million.

[34] Litigation

On December 20, 2002, the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission, the National Association of Securities Dealers, the New York Stock Exchange, the New York Attorney General, and the North American Securities Administrators Association (on behalf of state securities regulators) announced an agreement in principle with ten investment banks to resolve investigations relating to research analyst independence. Deutsche Bank Securities Inc. ("DBSI"), the U.S. SEC – registered broker – dealer subsidiary of Deutsche Bank, was one of the ten investment banks. Pursuant to the agreement in principle, and subject to finalization and approval of the settlement by DBSI, the Securities and Exchange Commission and state regulatory authorities, DBSI agrees, among other things: (i) to pay € 40 million, of which € 20 million is a civil penalty and € 20 million is for restitution for investors, (ii) to adopt internal structural and operational reforms that will further augment the steps it has already taken to ensure research analyst independence and promote investor confidence, (iii) to contribute € 20 million spread over five years to provide third-party research to clients, (iv) to contribute € 4 million towards investor education, and (v) to adopt restrictions on the allocation of shares in initial public offerings to corporate executives and directors. On April 28, 2003, U.S. securities regulators announced a final settlement of the research analyst investigations with most of these investment banks. Shortly before this date, DBSI located certain e-mail that was inadvertently not produced during the course of the investigation. As a result, DBSI was not part of the group of investment banks settling on that day. DBSI has cooperated fully with the regulators to ensure that all relevant e-mail is produced and is hopeful that this matter will be resolved shortly.

Due to the nature of its business, the Group is involved in litigation, arbitration and regulatory proceedings in Germany and in a number of jurisdictions outside Germany, including the United States, arising in the ordinary course of business. Such matters are subject to many uncertainties, and the outcome of individual matters is not predictable with assurance. Although the final resolution of any such matters could have a material effect on the Group's consolidated operating results for a particular reporting period, the Group believes that it should not materially affect its consolidated financial position.

[35] Terrorist Attacks in the United States

As a result of the terrorist attacks in the United States on September 11, 2001, the Group's office buildings located at 130 Liberty Street and 4 Albany Street in New York were severely damaged. The Group's leased property and all leasehold improvements at 4 World Trade Center were destroyed. The Group's employees located at these office buildings, in addition to employees located in leased properties at 14-16 Wall Street, were relocated to contingency premises immediately following the terrorist attacks. Since then, these employees have re-occupied the premises at 14-16 Wall Street or have moved to other permanent locations in the New York area.

Costs incurred by the Group as a result of the terrorist attacks include, but are not limited to, write-offs of fixed assets, expenses incurred to replace fixed assets that were damaged, relocation expenses, and expenses incurred to secure and maintain the damaged properties at 130 Liberty Street and 4 Albany Street. The Group has and continues to make claims for its costs related to the terrorist attacks, including those related to business interruption, through its insurance policies. These policies have coverage limits of U.S. \$ 1.7 billion in total damages and a U.S. \$ 750 million sub-limit for business interruption, service interruption and extra expenses. During 2003, the Group reached a settlement with two of its four insurers. In February 2004, the Group, its other two insurers and the Lower Manhattan Development Corporation (LMDC) reached an agreement under which the building at 130 Liberty Street will be taken down. The demolition will be paid for by the LMDC, subject to a cap amount above which costs will be borne by the two insurers. As part of the agreement, the LMDC is also expected to purchase the underlying land. Although announced, this agreement is subject to the final approval of the LMDC. The remaining claim with the two insurers has been directed to a binding arbitration process for final resolution.

As of December 31, 2003, the Group has received payments related to the partial settlement and other advances of approximately U.S. \$ 676 million. At the conclusion of its remaining claim, which is dependent on the arbitration process discussed above, the Group believes that it will recover substantially all of its costs under its insurance policies. Pending that final settlement, however, there can be no assurance that all of the costs incurred, losses from business interruption, losses from service interruption or extra expenses will be paid by the insurance carriers. For the years ended December 31, 2003, 2002 and 2001, no losses have been recorded by the Group.

[36] Supplementary Information to the Consolidated Financial Statements According to § 292a HGB

As a condition for the exemption under § 292a HGB, group accounts following U.S. GAAP must be prepared in conformity with the disclosure requirements of the European Union. The Consolidated Financial Statements of Deutsche Bank are in accordance with the Directives 83/349/EWG and 86/635/EWG with regard to the following information. These supplementary comments and disclosures do not refer definitely to items of our p&l or balance sheet formats according to U.S. GAAP. E.g. the item "Loans and advances to customers" is composed inter alia of partial amounts of loans, net, securities borrowed, securities purchased under resale agreements, and other assets.

Treasury bills and other bills eligible for refinancing with central banks

| in € m. | Dec 31, 2003 | Dec 31, 2002 |
|---|--------------|--------------|
| Treasury bills and similar securities | 4,946 | 7,653 |
| Other bills eligible for refinancing with central banks | 483 | 90 |
| Total | 5,429 | 7,743 |

Loans and advances to credit institutions and customers

| in € m. | Dec 31, 2003 | Dec 31, 2002 |
|--|----------------|----------------|
| Loans and advances to credit institutions | 91,805 | 126,203 |
| Repayable on demand | 21,994 | 65,444 |
| Remaining maturity of | | |
| up to three months | 52,693 | 46,572 |
| more than three months and up to one year | 6,564 | 8,993 |
| more than one year and up to five years | 5,816 | 3,953 |
| more than five years | 4,738 | 1,241 |
| Loans and advances to customers | 300,108 | 261,214 |
| Remaining maturity of | | |
| up to three months | 191,154 | 141,039 |
| more than three months and up to one year | 22,169 | 23,338 |
| more than one year and up to five years | 38,185 | 43,041 |
| more than five years | 48,600 | 53,796 |

Debt securities and other fixed-income securities

| in € m. | Dec 31, 2003 | Dec 31, 2002 |
|---------------------------------|----------------|----------------|
| Issued by public-sector issuers | 87,982 | 88,742 |
| Issued by other issuers | 128,209 | 91,981 |
| Total | 216,191 | 180,723 |

Structure and development of other investments

| in € m. | Equity Method Investments | Other Equity Investments | Total |
|---|------------------------------|-----------------------------|--------|
| Acquisition cost | | | |
| as of Jan 1, 2003 | 6,220 | 4,729 | 10,949 |
| impairment | 617 | 277 | 894 |
| change in the group of consolidated companies | (133) | (289) | (422) |
| effects of exchange rate changes | (174) | (386) | (560) |
| additions | 2,766 | 148 | 2,914 |
| transfers | 57 | (57) | - |
| disposals | 2,076 | 1,299 | 3,375 |
| as of Dec 31, 2003 | 6,043 | 2,569 | 8,612 |
| Amortization | | | |
| as of Jan 1, 2003 | 181 | - | 181 |
| change in the group of consolidated companies | - | - | - |
| effects of exchange rate changes | 27 | - | 27 |
| additions | 1 | - | 1 |
| transfers | - | - | - |
| disposals | 167 | - | 167 |
| as of Dec 31, 2003 | 42 | - | 42 |
| Book values | | | |
| as of Dec 31, 2003 | 6,001 | 2,569 | 8,570 |

Shareholdings in banks held at equity amounted to € 2,544 million (2002: € 2,227 million). Other equity investments included participating interests in the amount of € 1,133 million (2002: € 2,525 million), of which € 12 million (2002: € 69 million) related to investments in banks.

The list of shareholdings is deposited with the Commercial Register in Frankfurt am Main, but can also be ordered free of charge.

Loans from and advances and liabilities to participating interests and investments held at equity

Loans and advances to participating interests and investments held at equity, trading assets related to these investees as well as debt securities available for sale issued by these investees amounted to € 5,979 million (2002: € 8,024 million).

Liabilities to participating interests and investments held at equity as well as trading liabilities related to these investees were € 1,869 million (2002: € 2,778 million).

Intangible assets and premises and equipment

Land and buildings with a book value totaling € 2,178 million (2002: € 3,819 million) were used within the scope of our own activities.

| in € m. | Goodwill | Other Intangible Assets | Premises and Equipment | Total |
|---|----------|-------------------------|------------------------|----------------|
| Cost of acquisition/manufacture | | | | |
| as of Jan 1, 2003 | 11,077 | 1,467 | 13,749 | 26,293 |
| impairment | 114 | 0 | 27 | 141 |
| change in the group of consolidated companies | (638) | 10 | (203) | (831) |
| effects of exchange rate changes | (1,326) | (231) | (609) | (2,166) |
| additions | – | 5 | 991 | 996 |
| transfers | – | – | – | – |
| disposals | – | 72 | 4,207 | 4,279 |
| as of Dec 31, 2003 | 8,999 | 1,179 | 9,694 | 19,872 |
| Amortization/depreciation | | | | |
| as of Jan 1, 2003 | 2,705 | 56 | 4,866 | 7,627 |
| change in the group of consolidated companies | (205) | – | (34) | (239) |
| effects of exchange rate changes | (236) | (9) | (219) | (464) |
| additions | – | 22 | 826 | 848 |
| transfers | – | – | – | – |
| disposals | – | 12 | 1,531 | 1,543 |
| as of Dec 31, 2003 | 2,264 | 57 | 3,908 | 6,229 |
| Book value | | | | |
| as of Dec 31, 2003 | 6,735 | 1,122 | 5,786 | 13,643 |

Subordinated assets

The total amount of subordinated assets was € 1,198 million (2002: € 2,523 million).

Liabilities to credit institutions and customers

| in € m. | Dec 31, 2003 | Dec 31, 2002 |
|---|----------------|----------------|
| Amounts owed to credit institutions | 238,393 | 232,113 |
| Repayable on demand | 145,241 | 153,086 |
| With agreed maturity dates or periods of notice | | |
| up to three months | 68,239 | 53,686 |
| more than three months and up to one year | 8,762 | 9,585 |
| more than one year and up to five years | 8,309 | 8,140 |
| more than five years | 7,842 | 7,616 |
| Savings deposits | 27,315 | 28,386 |
| With agreed periods of notice | | |
| up to three months | 19,009 | 16,550 |
| more than three months and up to one year | 6,256 | 9,256 |
| more than one year and up to five years | 2,026 | 2,557 |
| more than five years | 24 | 23 |
| Other liabilities to customers | 274,312 | 241,882 |
| Repayable on demand | 117,083 | 118,973 |
| With agreed maturity dates or periods of notice | | |
| up to three months | 136,064 | 96,101 |
| more than three months and up to one year | 7,096 | 9,074 |
| more than one year and up to five years | 7,893 | 9,878 |
| more than five years | 6,176 | 7,856 |
| Debt securities issued | 74,664 | 87,093 |
| Other liabilities evidenced by paper | 42,335 | 34,981 |
| Remaining maturity of | | |
| up to three months | 19,950 | 18,048 |
| more than three months and up to one year | 18,599 | 15,133 |
| more than one year and up to five years | 2,921 | 1,640 |
| more than five years | 865 | 160 |

Provisions

| in € m. | Dec 31, 2003 | Dec 31, 2002 |
|---|---------------|---------------|
| Provisions for pensions and similar obligations | 893 | 995 |
| Provisions for taxes | 5,317 | 5,080 |
| Provisions in insurance business | 8,834 | 8,352 |
| Other provisions | 6,279 | 6,717 |
| Total | 21,323 | 21,144 |

Subordinated liabilities

The following table shows the significant subordinated liabilities:

| Currency | Amount | Issuer/Type | Interest Rate | Maturity |
|----------|-----------------|--|---------------|--------------|
| DM | 1,400,000,000.– | Deutsche Bank AG, bearer participatory certificate of 1992 | 8.75% | Jun 30, 2004 |
| EUR | 1,100,000,000.– | Deutsche Bank AG, bond of 2003 | 5.13% | Jan 31, 2013 |
| EUR | 1,000,000,000.– | Deutsche Bank AG, bond of 2003 | 5.33% | Sep 19, 2023 |
| EUR | 750,000,000.– | Deutsche Bank Finance N.V., Curaçao, callable note of 2002 | 5.38% | Mar 27, 2012 |
| EUR | 500,000,300.– | DB Capital Funding LLC III, Wilmington/USA, issue proceeds passed on to Deutsche Bank AG | 6.60% | Jun 30, 2029 |
| U.S.\$ | 500,000,000.– | Deutsche Bank Finance N.V., Curaçao, callable note of 2002 | var. 1.67% | Mar 27, 2012 |
| U.S.\$ | 1,100,000,000.– | Deutsche Bank Financial Inc., Dover/USA, „Yankee“-bond von 1996 | 6.70% | Dec 13, 2006 |
| U.S.\$ | 550,000,000.– | Deutsche Bank Financial Inc., Dover/USA, medium-term note of 2000 | 7.50% | Apr 25, 2009 |
| U.S.\$ | 650,000,000.– | DB Capital Funding LLC I, Wilmington/USA, issue proceeds passed on to Deutsche Bank AG | 7.87% | Jun 30, 2009 |
| U.S.\$ | 800,000,000.– | Deutsche Bank Financial Inc., Dover/USA, „Yankee“-bond of 2003 | 5.38% | Mar 2, 2015 |

For the above subordinated liabilities there is no premature redemption obligation on the part of the issuers. In the case of liquidation or insolvency, the claims and interest claims resulting from these liabilities are subordinate to those claims of all creditors of the issuers that are not also subordinated. These conditions also apply to the subordinated borrowings not specified individually.

Foreign currency

The table shows the effects of exchange rate changes on the balance sheet:

| in € m. | Dec 31, 2003 | Dec 31, 2002 |
|--|-----------------|--------------|
| Foreign currency assets | 402,900 | 417,400 |
| thereof U.S.\$ | 232,500 | 231,900 |
| Foreign currency liabilities (excluding capital and reserves) | 433,200 | 392,700 |
| thereof U.S.\$ | 258,100 | 221,500 |
| Change in total assets owing to parity changes for foreign currencies ¹ | (61,800) | (52,900) |
| thereof due to U.S.\$ | (41,500) | (36,900) |

¹ Based on the asset side.

Trust activities

Trust assets:

| in € m. | Dec 31, 2003 | Dec 31, 2002 |
|--------------------------------------|---------------|--------------|
| Interest-earning deposits with banks | 640 | 1,660 |
| Securities available for sale | 1,374 | 25 |
| Loans | 2,959 | 2,690 |
| Others | 6,884 | 936 |
| Total | 11,857 | 5,311 |

Trust liabilities:

| in € m. | Dec 31, 2003 | Dec 31, 2002 |
|-----------------------|---------------|--------------|
| Deposits | 9,695 | 1,569 |
| Short-term borrowings | 0 | 340 |
| Long-term debt | 779 | 2,441 |
| Others | 1,383 | 961 |
| Total | 11,857 | 5,311 |

Interest revenues

Interest revenues include interest income from debt securities available for sale and other investments in the amount of € 588 million (2002: € 1,257 million).

Dividend income from securities available for sale and other investments

Dividend income from securities available for sale and other investments amounted to € 386 million (2002: € 385 million). Included in this figure are dividend income on equity securities available for sale in the amount of € 278 million (2002: € 264 million).

Commission income

Commissions receivable amounted to € 11,817 million (2002: € 15,348 million) and commissions payable to € 2,485 million (2002: € 4,514 million), especially in securities business and for asset management.

The following administration and agency services were provided for third parties: custodian, asset management, administration of trust assets, referral of mortgages, insurance policies and property finance agreements, as well as mergers & acquisitions.

Staff costs

| in € m. | 2003 | 2002 |
|-------------------------------------|---------------|---------------|
| Wages and salaries | 8,824 | 9,265 |
| Social security costs | 1,671 | 2,093 |
| thereof: those relating to pensions | 491 | 805 |
| Total | 10,495 | 11,358 |

Other operating income and expenses

Other income from ordinary activities consisted above all of net income from real estate, net income from investment companies as well as income from derivatives used as hedges.

Other current expenses from ordinary activities consisted, among other things, of additions to provisions not relating to lending or securities business, expenses for residential property maintenance of Deutsche Wohnen AG, Eschborn, and other taxes.

Result from financial investments

| in € m. | 2003 | 2002 |
|--|-------------|--------------|
| Result from securities available for sale | 20 | 3,523 |
| Result from other investments ¹ | (100) | 812 |
| Total | (80) | 4,335 |

¹ Excluding investments held at equity and investments held by designated investment companies.

Extraordinary items

There are no extraordinary items to be reported for 2003 and 2002.

Board of Managing Directors and Supervisory Board

In 2003, the total compensation of the Board of Managing Directors was € 28,005,459 (2002: € 27,205,945), thereof € 23,693,460 (2002: € 22,449,960) for variable components. Former members of the Board of Managing Directors of Deutsche Bank AG or their surviving dependents received € 31,218,859 (2002: € 31,964,054). In addition to a fixed payment of € 736,117 (2002: € 174,580), the Supervisory Board received dividend-related emoluments totaling € 1,354,264 (2002: € 1,752,156).

Provisions for pension obligations to former members of the Board of Managing Directors and their surviving dependents totaled € 173,794,918 (2002: € 181,757,309).

At the end of 2003, loans and advances granted and contingent liabilities assumed for members of the Board of Managing Directors amounted to € 95,000 (2002: € 259,000) and for members of the Supervisory Board of Deutsche Bank AG to € 473,000 (2002: € 539,400).

Staff

The average number of effective staff employed in 2003 was 69,440 (2002: 82,935) of whom 29,786 (2002: 36,077) were women. Part-time staff are included in these figures proportionately. An average of 38,420 (2002: 45,623) staff members worked abroad.

Other publications

The list of mandates gives details of mandates in Germany and abroad. It can be obtained free of charge.

Reconciliation comments

Differences in accounting and measurement methods in the Consolidated Financial Statements: U.S. GAAP compared to German Commercial Code (HGB).

In contrast to German reporting, U.S. Generally Accepted Accounting Principles (U.S. GAAP) seek creditor protection by providing relevant information rather than by conservative reporting and valuation rules. In the following cases, the different objective of U.S. GAAP leads to different accounting and valuation methods or to different reporting in the Consolidated Financial Statements:

Trading assets. Trading assets include securities held for trading purposes and positive market values from outstanding derivative financial instruments. They are carried at fair value on the balance sheet with the changes in fair value reported in trading revenues. This leads to the recognition of earnings which are qualified as unrealized gains under German law. Furthermore, positive market values from derivative financial instruments are not carried on the balance sheet under German commercial law.

Netting in trading activities. Trading assets and trading liabilities are netted if there is an enforceable master netting agreement. Similarly, positive and negative market values from derivative financial instruments with the same counterparty are netted under existing master netting agreements. Furthermore, long and short positions in a marketable security are also reported net (so-called "CUSIP/ISIN netting").

Securities available for sale. Financial assets classified as securities available for sale are carried at fair value, whereby, unrealized gains and losses are reported within "shareholders' equity" and realized gains and losses are recorded in earnings. Under the German Commercial Code these holdings are carried at lower-of-cost-or-market on the balance sheet.

Goodwill. Under U.S. GAAP, goodwill is not amortized but tested for impairment on an ongoing basis. Under the German Commercial Code and German Accounting Standards, goodwill is amortized over a period of up to 20 years.

Premises and equipment

Tax bases. The tax bases are not reported in the U.S. GAAP financial statements. As a result, premises and equipment are usually carried at a higher value compared with statements prepared under the German Commercial Code.

Software costs. Certain costs for self-developed software are capitalized if the specific conditions of U.S. GAAP are fulfilled. Under the German Commercial Code, all software costs are expensed as incurred.

Trading liabilities. Trading liabilities comprise short positions and negative market values from derivative financial instruments, unless they have been netted with trading assets. The German Commercial Code requires short positions to be reported under liabilities to banks and/or liabilities to customers. Negative market values from derivative financial instruments generally result in the recognition of provisions for possible losses from pending transactions, unless certain requirements for netting within "valuation units" are fulfilled.

Provisions

for pension plans and similar obligations. Forecasted salary growth is taken into account in the actuarial calculation of pension provisions. Adjustments of current pension payments are deferred and not fully written off immediately. Also, market interest rates are utilized.

In case of pension trusts whose designated trust assets serve solely to secure the long-term pension commitments made by the bank and therefore are segregated from the bank's other operating assets, the pension liabilities are offset with the designated plan assets for reporting purposes. The corresponding profit components are also offset. The German Commercial Code does not allow such offsetting for balance sheet and P&L reporting purposes.

Deferred taxes. Deferred taxes are recorded in accordance with the balance sheet-related temporary differences concept whereby the carrying amounts of individual assets and liabilities in the balance sheet are compared with the values for tax purposes. Temporary differences between these values result in deferred tax assets or deferred tax liabilities. On the other hand, tax deferrals according to the German Commercial Code are only admissible as timing differences between commercial-law results and the profit to be calculated in accordance with tax regulations.

Own bonds/own shares. Repurchased own bonds are extinguished. Differences between cost and issuing value are recognized in the statement of income.

Own shares (treasury shares) are deducted from shareholders' equity with their acquisition cost. Gains and losses are directly attributed to additional paid-in capital.

Minority interests. Minority interests are reported as other liabilities.

Trust business. In accordance with its economic content, trust business which the bank transacts in its own name, but for third-party account, is not reported in the balance sheet.

[37] Corporate Governance

Deutsche Bank AG and its only German listed consolidated subsidiary, Deutsche Wohnen AG, have approved the Declaration of Conformity in accordance with § 161 of the German Corporation Act (AktG) and made it accessible to shareholders.

[38] Board of Managing Directors in the Reporting Year

Josef Ackermann

Spokesman

Clemens Börsig

Tessen von Heydebreck

Hermann-Josef Lamberti

Risk Report

Risk Management

The wide variety of our businesses requires us to identify, measure, aggregate and manage our risks effectively, and to allocate our capital among our businesses appropriately. We manage risk through a framework of risk principles, organizational structures and risk measurement and monitoring processes that are closely aligned with the activities of our Group Divisions.

Risk Management Principles

The following key principles underpin our approach to risk management:

- Our Board of Managing Directors provides overall risk management supervision for our consolidated Group as a whole. Our Supervisory Board regularly monitors our risk profile.
- Our Group Risk Committee has responsibility for management and control of our risks.
- We manage credit, market, liquidity, operational and business risks in a coordinated manner at all relevant levels within our organization.
- The structure of our global risk management department is closely aligned with the structure of our Group Divisions.
- The risk management function is independent of our Group Divisions.

Risk Management Organization

Our Group Chief Risk Officer, who is a member of our Board of Managing Directors, is responsible for all risk management activities within our consolidated Group. The Group Chief Risk Officer chairs our Group Risk Committee, which has the mandate to:

- Define our risk appetite in a manner that is consistent with our overall business strategies;
- Approve risk policies, procedures and methodologies that are consistent with our risk appetite;
- Manage the portfolio of risks throughout our organization;
- Develop and implement a Group-wide consistent and applicable methodology for the measurement of Risk Adjusted Return on Economic Capital; and
- Approve the organizational structure of our risk management department and appoint its key management personnel.

The Group Risk Committee has delegated some of its tasks to sub-committees, the most relevant being the Group Credit Policy Committee. Among others it reviews credit policies, industry reports and country risk limit applications throughout the Group.

For each of our Group Divisions, we then have a divisional risk unit that has the mandate to:

- Ensure that the business conducted within its division is consistent with the risk appetite the Group Risk Committee has set;
- Formulate and implement risk policies, procedures and methodologies that are appropriate to the businesses within its division;
- Approve credit risk and market risk limits;
- Conduct periodic portfolio reviews to ensure that the portfolio of risks is within acceptable parameters; and
- Develop and implement risk management infrastructures and systems that are appropriate for its division.

Our controlling, audit and legal departments support our risk management function. They operate independently both of the Group Divisions and of the risk management department. The role of the controlling department is to quantify the risk we assume and ensure the quality and integrity of our risk-related data. Our audit department reviews the compliance of our internal control procedures with internal and regulatory standards. Our legal department provides legal advice and support on topics including collateral arrangements and netting.

Categories of Risk

The most important risks we assume are specific banking risks and risks arising from the general business environment.

Specific Banking Risks

Our risk management processes distinguish among four kinds of specific banking risks: credit risk, market risk, liquidity risk and operational risk.

Credit risk arises from all transactions that give rise to actual, contingent or potential claims against any counterparty, obligor or borrower (which we refer to collectively as “counterparties”). This is the largest single risk we face. We distinguish among three kinds of credit risk:

- *Default risk* is the risk that counterparties fail to meet contractual payment obligations.
- *Country risk* is the risk that we may suffer a loss, in any given country, due to any of the following reasons: a possible deterioration of economic conditions, political and social upheaval, nationalization and expropriation of assets, government repudiation of indebtedness, exchange controls and disruptive currency depreciation or devaluation.
- *Settlement risk* is the risk that the settlement or clearance of transactions will fail. It arises whenever the exchange of cash, securities and/or other assets is not simultaneous.

Market risk arises from the uncertainty concerning changes in market prices and rates (including interest rates, equity prices, foreign exchange rates and commodity prices), the correlations among them and their levels of volatility.

Liquidity risk is the risk to our earnings and capital arising from our potential inability to meet obligations when they are due without incurring unacceptable losses.

Operational risk is the potential for incurring losses in relation to employees, project management, contractual specifications and documentation, technology, infrastructure failure and disasters, external influences and customer relationships. This definition includes, among others, legal and regulatory risk, and is based on regulatory discussions concerning operational risk.

General Business Risk

General business risk describes the risk we assume due to potential changes in general business conditions, such as our market environment, client behavior and technological progress. This can affect our earnings if we fail to quickly adjust to these changing conditions.

Insurance Specific Risks

Following the sale of Deutscher Herold insurance companies to Zurich Financial Services Group in 2002, we are no longer engaged in any activities that result in insurance-specific risks that are material to the Group.

Risk Management Tools

We use a comprehensive range of quantitative tools and metrics for monitoring and managing risks. Some of these tools are common to a number of risk categories, while others are tailored to the particular features of specific risk categories. These quantitative tools and metrics generate the following types of information:

- Information that quantifies the susceptibility of the market value of single positions or portfolios to changes in market parameters (commonly referred to as sensitivity analysis);
- Information that measures aggregate risk using statistical techniques, taking into account the interdependencies and correlations between individual risks; and
- Information that quantifies exposures to losses that could arise from extreme movements in market prices or rates, using scenario analysis to simulate crisis situations.

We also calculate risk data for regulatory purposes.

As a matter of policy, we continuously assess the appropriateness and the reliability of our quantitative tools and metrics in light of our changing risk environment. The following are the most important quantitative tools and metrics we currently use to measure, manage and report our risk:

Expected Loss

We use expected loss as a measure of the default, transfer, and settlement risk parts of our credit risk. Expected loss is a measurement of the credit loss we can expect within a one-year period on our credit exposure, based on our historical loss experience. When calculating expected loss, we take credit risk ratings, collateral, maturities and statistical averaging procedures into account to reflect the risk characteristics of our different types of exposures and facilities. All parameter assumptions are based on long-term statistical averages of our internal default and loss history as well as external benchmarks.

We use expected loss as a tool of our risk management process and as part of our management reporting systems. We also use the applicable results of the expected loss calculations when establishing the other inherent loss allowance included in our financial statements. Applicable results in this context are those that are used to estimate losses inherent in loans and contingent liabilities that are not already considered in the specific loss component of our allowance or our allowance for smaller-balance standardized homogeneous loans.

Economic Capital

Economic capital is a measure designed to state the amount of capital we need to absorb very severe unexpected losses arising from our exposures. "Very severe" in this context means a probability of 99.98% that our aggregated losses within one year will not exceed our economic capital for that year. We calculate economic capital for the default risk, transfer risk and settlement risk elements of credit risk, for market risk, for operational risk and for general business risk.

We use economic capital to show an aggregated view of our risk position from individual business lines up to our consolidated Group level. We also use economic capital (as well as goodwill and other non-amortizing intangibles) in order to allocate our book capital among our businesses. This enables us to assess each business unit's risk-adjusted profitability, which is a key metric in managing our financial resources in order to optimize the value generated for our shareholders. In addition, we consider economic capital results, in particular for credit risk, when we measure the risk-adjusted profitability of our client relationships.

Value-at-Risk

We use the value-at-risk approach to derive quantitative measures for our trading book market risks under normal market conditions. Our value-at-risk figures play a role in both internal and external (regulatory) reporting. For a given portfolio, value-at-risk measures the potential future loss (in terms of market value) that, under normal market conditions, will not be exceeded with a defined confidence level in a defined period. The value-at-risk for a total portfolio represents a measure of our aggregated market risk (aggregated using pre-determined correlations) in that portfolio.

Stress Testing

We supplement our analysis of market risk with stress testing. We perform stress tests because value-at-risk calculations are based on relatively recent historical data and only purport to estimate risk up to a defined confidence level. Therefore, they only reflect possible losses under relatively normal market conditions. Stress tests help us determine the effects of potentially extreme market developments on the market values of our assets. We use stress testing to determine the amount of economic capital we need to allocate to cover our market risk exposure under extreme market conditions.

Regulatory Risk Reporting

German banking regulators assess our capacity to assume risk in several ways, which are described more detailed in Note [22].

Credit Risk

Credit risk makes up the largest part of our risk exposures. We manage our credit risk following these principles:

- Every extension of credit to any counterparty requires approval at the appropriate authority level.
- All of our Group Divisions must apply consistent standards in arriving at their credit decisions.
- The approval of credit limits for counterparties and the management of our individual credit exposures must fit within our portfolio guidelines and our credit strategies, and each decision is also based on a risk-versus-return analysis.
- Every material change to a credit facility (such as its tenor, collateral structure or major covenants) requires approval at the appropriate authority level.
- We assign credit approval authorities to individuals according to their qualifications, experience and training, and we review these periodically.
- We measure and consolidate all our credit exposures to each obligor on a global consolidated basis that applies across our consolidated Group. We define an “obligor” as a group of individual borrowers or counterparties that are linked to one another by any of a number of criteria we have established, including capital ownership, voting rights, demonstrable control, other indication of group affiliation; or are jointly and severally liable for all or significant portions of the credit we have extended.

Credit Risk Ratings

A primary element of the credit approval process is a detailed risk assessment of every credit exposure associated with an obligor. Our risk assessment procedures consider both the creditworthiness of the counterparty and the risks related to the specific type of credit facility or exposure. This risk assessment not only affects the outcome of the credit decision, but also influences the level of decision-making authority we require to extend the credit, the terms and conditions of the transaction and the monitoring procedures we apply to the ongoing exposure.

We have our own in-house assessment methodologies, scorecards and rating scale for evaluating our client groupings. Our granular 26-grade rating scale enables us to compare our internal ratings with common market practice and ensures comparability between different sub-portfolios of our institution. While we generally rate all our credit exposures individually, at times we rely on rating averages for measuring risk. When we assign our internal risk ratings, we compare them with external risk ratings assigned to our counterparties by the major international rating agencies, where possible.

The 26-grade rating scale is calibrated on a probability of default measure, which is based on a statistical analysis of historical defaults in our portfolio. We express these measures as a percentage probability that a counterparty will default on our exposure to it. We then assign these probabilities of default to categories that we regard as fundamentally equivalent to those of the major international rating agencies.

Credit Limits

Credit limits set forth maximum credit exposures we are willing to assume over specified periods. They relate to products, conditions of the exposure and other factors. Our credit policies also establish special procedures (including lower approval thresholds and more senior approval personnel) for exceptional cases when we may assume exposures beyond established limits. These exceptions provide a degree of flexibility for unusual business opportunities, new market trends and other similar factors.

Exposure Measurement for Approval Purposes

In making credit decisions, we measure and consolidate globally all exposures and facilities to the same obligor that carry credit risk. This includes loans, repurchase agreements, reverse repurchase agreements, letters of credit, guarantees and derivative transactions. Unless prohibited by regulations we exclude exposures that, in our opinion, do not expose us to any significant default risk. In addition, we typically exclude exposures relating to other categories of risk, such as market risk. These risks are subject to scrutiny under their own individual policies. For approval purposes, we do not distinguish between committed and uncommitted or advised and unadvised facilities. We treat any prolongation of an existing credit exposure as a new credit decision requiring the appropriate procedures and approvals.

A credit analysis forms the basis of every credit decision we make. This analysis contains an assessment of the material information necessary for a decision regarding a credit exposure. A credit report is then generated from this analysis. We generally update our credit reports annually and require credit reports for all initial credit approvals and for subsequent internal reviews; in case of medium-sized customers in Germany we make use of automatic monitoring systems based on current account and financial statement information. Where the credit officer is made aware of a serious deterioration of credit quality, either through the automatic monitoring system or other sources of information such as his normal credit analysis, he is compelled to prepare a new credit report and hence provides a new credit decision. Credit reports must contain the following: an overview of our relevant limits and exposures, a summary of our internal rating history of the counterparty, an overview of the particular facilities, key financial data, a short description of the reason for the report's submission and a summary credit risk assessment.

Monitoring Default Risk

We monitor all of our credit exposures on a continuing basis using the risk management tools described above. We also have procedures in place to identify at an early stage credit exposures for which there may be an increased risk of loss. Accountability for recognition of problem credits rests with the relationship manager or comparable front office personnel in conjunction with the appropriate credit officer. We believe that customers where problems could arise must be identified well in advance to effectively manage the credit exposure. The objective of an early warning system is to address potential problems while adequate alternatives for action are still available. This early detection is a tenet of our credit culture and is intended to ensure that greater attention is paid to such an exposure.

In instances where we have identified customers where problems might arise, the respective exposure is placed on a watchlist. Additionally, we may refer individual exposures to a special loan management team. Within our consumer credit exposure, as described below, the delinquency status is tracked, which is the main basis for the transfer to a special loan management team. The function of this group is to effectively manage problem exposures by taking prompt corrective action to ensure asset values are preserved and losses are minimized. The special loan management team performs this function either through consultation with the credit unit or direct management of an exposure.

During 2003, the Loan Exposure Management Group (LEMG) was formed. As part of the bank's overall framework of risk management, LEMG helps to manage the credit risk within the investment-grade loan portfolio for all loans with an original maturity greater than six months (excluding medium-sized German companies) on behalf of all Corporate and Investment Bank Group Division businesses.

LEMG provides the respective Corporate and Investment Bank Group Division businesses with a central pricing reference for new loan applications based on capital markets conditions. LEMG proactively distributes and mitigates credit risk and provides additional diversification of our loan portfolio through techniques that include but are not limited to the following: credit derivatives, securitization, loan sales and other structured products.

Credit Exposure

We define our total credit exposure as all transactions where losses might occur due to the fact that counterparties may not fulfill their contractual payment obligations. We calculate the gross amount of the exposure without taking into account any collateral, other credit enhancement or credit protection transactions. When we describe our credit exposure, we distinguish between the following categories: loans, contingent liabilities, over-the-counter derivatives, and tradable assets. Listed below are some further details concerning our credit exposure categories:

- “*Loans*” exclude interest-earning deposits with banks, other claims (mostly unsettled balances from securities transactions) and accrued interest and include unearned (deferred) income net of origination costs.
- “*Contingent Liabilities*” include liabilities from guarantees, indemnity agreements and letters of credit. As of December 31, 2003, we excluded other quantifiable indemnities and commitments of € 108.1 billion, of which € 45.3 billion relate to securities lending on behalf of customers and € 62.8 billion relate to forward committed repurchase and reverse repurchase agreements. We also exclude other commitments such as irrevocable loan and placement and underwriting commitments. These exclusions were € 88.9 billion on December 31, 2003, and € 103.5 billion on December 31, 2002. At year-end 2003, 83% of our irrevocable loan commitments were to counterparties rated at the equivalent of investment-grade debt ratings from the major international rating agencies.
- “*OTC Derivatives*” are our credit exposures arising from over-the-counter, or OTC, derivative transactions. Credit exposure in OTC derivatives is measured by the cost to replace the contract if the counterparty defaults on its obligations, after netting. The costs of replacement amount to only a small portion of the notional amount of a derivative transaction. We calculate our credit exposure under OTC derivatives transactions at any time as the replacement costs of the transactions based on marking them to market at that time.
- “*Tradable Assets*” as defined for this purpose, include bonds, other fixed-income products and traded loans.

Our total credit exposure can be classified under two broad headings: corporate credit exposure and consumer credit exposure.

- Our consumer credit exposure consists of our smaller-balance standardized homogeneous loans, which include personal loans, residential and nonresidential mortgage loans, overdrafts and loans to self-employed and small business customers of our private and retail business.
- Our corporate credit exposure consists of all remaining exposures not defined as consumer credit exposure. Corporate credit exposure is the largest credit exposure and is discussed below in more detail.

Corporate Credit Exposure

The following table breaks down our corporate credit exposure (other than credit exposure arising from repurchase and reverse repurchase agreements, securities lending and borrowing, interest-earning deposits with banks and irrevocable loan commitments) according to the creditworthiness categories of our counterparties.

| in € m. | Loans | | Contingent Liabilities | | OTC Derivatives | | Tradable Assets | | Total | |
|---------------|---------------|----------------|------------------------|---------------|-----------------|---------------|-----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|
| | Dec 31, 2003 | Dec 31, 2002 | Dec 31, 2003 | Dec 31, 2002 | Dec 31, 2003 | Dec 31, 2002 | Dec 31, 2003 | Dec 31, 2002 | Dec 31, 2002 | |
| AAA-AA | 12,167 | 11,043 | 2,992 | 3,275 | 27,014 | 22,977 | 126,010 | 120,732 | 168,183 | 158,027 |
| A | 13,871 | 16,610 | 5,627 | 6,061 | 17,195 | 20,281 | 33,383 | 24,949 | 70,076 | 67,901 |
| BBB | 26,265 | 30,549 | 7,886 | 10,598 | 11,750 | 10,745 | 32,676 | 27,115 | 78,577 | 79,007 |
| BB | 25,292 | 37,269 | 6,573 | 9,534 | 3,784 | 5,528 | 23,417 | 17,426 | 59,066 | 69,757 |
| B | 5,749 | 11,590 | 1,799 | 3,472 | 621 | 640 | 6,756 | 3,701 | 14,925 | 19,403 |
| CCC and below | 6,947 | 9,611 | 1,660 | 1,264 | 107 | 124 | 6,227 | 2,658 | 14,941 | 13,657 |
| Total | 90,291 | 116,672 | 26,537 | 34,204 | 60,471 | 60,295 | 228,469 | 196,581 | 405,768 | 407,752 |

The above table illustrates not only a general reduction in our lending-related credit exposures, which mainly took place in the U.S. and Germany, but also reflects an improvement in the credit quality of our loan book. The change in the creditworthiness of our corporate loan book in 2003 compared to 2002 is a consequence of an improving global economic climate in which our counterparties operate. This is evidenced by the portion of our corporate loan book carrying an investment-grade rating increasing from 50% on December 31, 2002, to 58% on December 31, 2003, with a corresponding reduction in the portion of our corporate loan book being classified as sub-investment grade.

Consumer Credit Exposure

Our consumer credit exposure consists of our smaller-balance standardized homogeneous loans primarily in Germany, Italy and Spain, which include personal loans, residential and nonresidential mortgage loans, overdrafts and loans to self-employed and small business customers of our private and retail business. This portfolio collectively represents a large number of individual smaller-balance loans to consumers and small businesses. We allocate this portfolio into various sub-portfolios according to our major product categories and geographical dispersion.

The table below presents consumer loan delinquencies in terms of loans that are 90 days or more past due and net credit costs, which are the net provisions charged during the period, after recoveries. Loans 90 days or more past due and net credit costs are both expressed as a percentage of total exposure.

| | Total Exposure in € m. | | 90 Days or More Past Due as a % of Total Exposure | | Net Credit Costs as a % of Total Exposure | |
|---------------------------------------|---------------------------|---------------|--|--------------|--|--------------|
| | Dec 31, 2003 | Dec 31, 2002 | Dec 31, 2003 | Dec 31, 2002 | Dec 31, 2003 | Dec 31, 2002 |
| Consumer Credit Exposure Germany | | | | | | |
| Consumer and Small Business Financing | 10,550 | 11,326 | 2.54 | 1.91 | 1.36 | 0.75 |
| Mortgage Lending | 34,617 | 33,610 | 2.33 | 2.10 | 0.28 | 0.09 |
| Consumer Credit Exposure Other Europe | 12,769 | 10,012 | 1.54 | 4.14 | 0.52 | 0.59 |
| Total Consumer Credit Exposure | 57,936 | 54,948 | 2.19 | 2.43 | 0.53 | 0.32 |

The volume of our consumer credit exposure rose by € 3.0 billion, or 5.4%, from 2002 to 2003, driven mainly by our Spanish and Italian businesses. Total net credit costs increased from 0.32% of our total exposure in 2002 to 0.53% in 2003, mainly due to the impact of the difficult economic environment in Germany on the individual financial situation of some of our customers and falling real estate values in Germany. Net credit costs in Other European businesses remained materially unchanged. Loans delinquent by 90 days or more decreased from 2.43% to 2.19% reflecting increases in Germany more than offset by strong decreases in Other Europe. The sharp reduction of loans delinquent by 90 days or more in Other Europe resulted from charge-offs in the amount of € 240 million due to refinements of processes and procedures in the third quarter of 2003.

Total Credit Exposure

Our total credit exposures were € 576.2 billion on December 31, 2003, and € 600.7 billion on December 31, 2002. These figures include the exposures shown in the following table, as well as credit exposures arising from repurchase and reverse repurchase agreements, securities lending and borrowing, interest-earning deposits with banks and irrevocable loan commitments.

The following table breaks down our total credit exposure (other than credit exposure arising from repurchase and reverse repurchase agreements, securities lending and borrowing, interest-earning deposits with banks and irrevocable loan commitments) according to the industry sectors of our counterparties.

| in € m. | Loans | | Contingent Liabilities | | OTC Derivatives | | Tradable Assets | | Total | |
|-----------------------------------|---------------------|---------------------|------------------------|---------------|-----------------|---------------|-----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|
| | Dec 31, 2003 | Dec 31, 2002 | Dec 31, 2003 | Dec 31, 2002 | Dec 31, 2003 | Dec 31, 2002 | Dec 31, 2003 | Dec 31, 2002 | Dec 31, 2003 | Dec 31, 2002 |
| Banks and insurance | 10,521 | 10,720 | 4,990 | 8,189 | 46,597 | 44,970 | 62,480 | 47,686 | 124,588 | 111,565 |
| Manufacturing | 16,155 | 22,545 | 7,834 | 10,211 | 1,997 | 2,389 | 18,241 | 17,142 | 44,227 | 52,287 |
| Households | 54,937 | 53,207 | 862 | 473 | 357 | 281 | - | - | 56,156 | 53,961 |
| Public sector | 2,309 | 4,584 | 377 | 241 | 3,984 | 1,792 | 104,648 | 95,356 | 111,318 | 101,973 |
| Wholesale and retail trade | 11,824 | 14,467 | 2,454 | 2,876 | 691 | 688 | 3,589 | 2,583 | 18,558 | 20,614 |
| Commercial real estate activities | 13,606 | 18,360 | 722 | 1,014 | 300 | 688 | 1,447 | 2,657 | 16,075 | 22,719 |
| Other | 38,875 ¹ | 47,737 ¹ | 9,298 | 11,200 | 6,545 | 9,487 | 38,064 | 31,157 | 92,782 | 99,581 |
| Total | 148,227 | 171,620 | 26,537 | 34,204 | 60,471 | 60,295 | 228,469 | 196,581 | 463,704 | 462,700 |

¹ Includes lease financing.

The exposure to Households, as shown in the table above, primarily reflects our consumer credit exposure.

The following table breaks down our total credit exposure (other than credit exposure arising from repurchase and reverse repurchase agreements, securities lending and borrowing, interest-earning deposits with banks and irrevocable loan commitments) by geographical region. For this table, we have allocated exposures to regions based on the domicile of our counterparties, irrespective of any affiliations the counterparties may have with corporate groups domiciled elsewhere.

| in € m. | Loans | | Contingent Liabilities | | OTC Derivatives | | Tradable Assets | | Total | |
|---------------------------|----------------|----------------|------------------------|---------------|-----------------|---------------|-----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|
| | Dec 31, 2003 | Dec 31, 2002 | Dec 31, 2003 | Dec 31, 2002 | Dec 31, 2003 | Dec 31, 2002 | Dec 31, 2003 | Dec 31, 2002 | Dec 31, 2002 | |
| Eastern Europe | 1,372 | 1,679 | 491 | 730 | 588 | 678 | 2,840 | 4,186 | 5,291 | 7,273 |
| Western Europe | 120,136 | 133,732 | 16,283 | 23,618 | 35,428 | 35,094 | 87,969 | 76,971 | 259,816 | 269,415 |
| Africa | 395 | 618 | 192 | 177 | 224 | 451 | 1,086 | 951 | 1,897 | 2,197 |
| Asia-Pacific | 7,176 | 8,517 | 2,624 | 3,561 | 7,072 | 4,515 | 36,019 | 30,493 | 52,891 | 47,086 |
| North America | 17,038 | 24,643 | 6,752 | 5,814 | 15,495 | 17,698 | 94,632 | 78,464 | 133,917 | 126,619 |
| Central and South America | 2,075 | 2,373 | 195 | 296 | 571 | 597 | 3,850 | 2,984 | 6,691 | 6,250 |
| Other ¹ | 35 | 58 | – | 8 | 1,093 | 1,262 | 2,073 | 2,532 | 3,201 | 3,860 |
| Total | 148,227 | 171,620 | 26,537 | 34,204 | 60,471 | 60,295 | 228,469 | 196,581 | 463,704 | 462,700 |

¹ Includes supranational organizations and other exposures that we have not allocated to a single region.

Credit Exposure from Derivatives

The following table shows the notional amounts and gross market values of OTC and exchange-traded derivative contracts we held for trading and nontrading purposes as of December 31, 2003.

| December 31, 2003 | Notional Amount Maturity Distribution | | | | Positive Market Value | Negative Market Value | Net Market Value |
|--|---------------------------------------|------------------|------------------|-------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|------------------|
| | in € m. | Within One Year | >1 and ≤5 Years | After Five Years | | | |
| Interest-rate-related transactions: | | | | | | | |
| OTC products: | | | | | | | |
| FRA | 911,860 | 67,385 | 44 | 979,289 | 572 | (752) | (180) |
| Interest rate swaps (single currency) | 3,138,669 | 4,029,380 | 3,213,600 | 10,381,649 | 167,263 | (159,648) | 7,615 |
| Purchased interest rate options | 200,892 | 453,959 | 422,469 | 1,077,320 | 25,451 | | 25,451 |
| Written interest rate options | 186,951 | 463,175 | 472,712 | 1,122,838 | - | (25,183) | (25,183) |
| Other interest rate trades | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| Exchange-traded products: | | | | | | | |
| Interest rate futures | 191,196 | 77,232 | 1,687 | 270,115 | - | - | - |
| Purchased interest rate options | 129,935 | 36,299 | - | 166,234 | 122 | - | 122 |
| Written interest rate options | 106,545 | 32,623 | - | 139,168 | - | (87) | (87) |
| Sub-total | 4,866,048 | 5,160,053 | 4,110,512 | 14,136,613 | 193,408 | (185,670) | 7,738 |
| Currency-related transactions: | | | | | | | |
| OTC products: | | | | | | | |
| Forward exchange trades | 600,239 | 32,811 | 1,812 | 634,862 | 16,910 | (18,696) | (1,786) |
| Cross currency swaps | 734,874 | 228,535 | 135,950 | 1,099,359 | 30,187 | (27,199) | 2,988 |
| Purchased foreign currency options | 169,231 | 18,517 | 3,530 | 191,278 | 5,668 | - | 5,668 |
| Written foreign currency options | 171,650 | 21,207 | 1,909 | 194,766 | - | (5,734) | (5,734) |
| Exchange-traded products: | | | | | | | |
| Foreign currency futures | 6,154 | 8 | - | 6,162 | - | - | - |
| Purchased foreign currency options | 1,729 | 160 | - | 1,889 | 22 | - | 22 |
| Written foreign currency options | 1,945 | 160 | - | 2,105 | - | (29) | (29) |
| Sub-total | 1,685,822 | 301,398 | 143,201 | 2,130,421 | 52,787 | (51,658) | 1,129 |
| Equity/index-related transactions: | | | | | | | |
| OTC products: | | | | | | | |
| Equity Forward | - | 72 | 5 | 77 | 12 | - | 12 |
| Equity/index swaps | 37,965 | 35,474 | 5,151 | 78,590 | 2,930 | (5,561) | (2,631) |
| Purchased equity/index options | 42,929 | 46,368 | 9,685 | 98,982 | 12,168 | - | 12,168 |
| Written equity/index options | 41,237 | 67,988 | 11,779 | 121,004 | - | (12,989) | (12,989) |
| Credit Derivatives | 35,219 | 231,779 | 86,214 | 353,212 | 6,724 | (9,498) | (2,774) |
| Exchange-traded products: | | | | | | | |
| Equity/index futures | 34,597 | 255 | - | 34,852 | - | - | - |
| Equity/index purchased options | 31,742 | 21,306 | 1,775 | 54,823 | 4,854 | - | 4,854 |
| Equity/index written options | 32,213 | 22,736 | 1,035 | 55,984 | - | (4,241) | (4,241) |
| Sub-total | 255,902 | 425,978 | 115,644 | 797,524 | 26,688 | (32,289) | (5,601) |
| Other transactions: | | | | | | | |
| OTC products: | | | | | | | |
| Precious metal trades | 21,914 | 26,484 | 5,231 | 53,629 | 3,452 | (2,892) | 560 |
| Nonprecious metal trades | 29,929 | 11,440 | 436 | 41,805 | 6,516 | (5,567) | 949 |
| Exchange-traded products: | | | | | | | |
| Futures | 1,632 | 759 | 49 | 2,440 | - | - | - |
| Purchased options | 2,821 | 1,022 | 1 | 3,844 | 272 | - | 272 |
| Written options | 2,983 | 1,063 | 1 | 4,047 | - | (241) | (241) |
| Sub-total | 59,279 | 40,768 | 5,718 | 105,765 | 10,240 | (8,700) | 1,540 |
| Total OTC business | 6,323,559 | 5,734,574 | 4,370,527 | 16,428,660 | 277,853 | (273,719) | 4,134 |
| Total exchange-traded business | 543,492 | 193,623 | 4,548 | 741,663 | 5,270 | (4,598) | 672 |
| Total | 6,867,051 | 5,928,197 | 4,375,075 | 17,170,323 | 283,123 | (278,317) | 4,806 |
| Positive market values after netting agreements | | | | | 65,653 | | |

To reduce our derivatives-related credit risk, we regularly seek the execution of master agreements (such as the International Swap Dealers Association contract for swaps) with our clients. A master agreement allows the offsetting of the obligations arising under all of the derivatives contracts the agreement covers upon the counterparty's default, resulting in one single net claim against the counterparty (called "close-out netting"). In addition, we also enter into "payment netting" agreements under which we net non-simultaneous settlement of cash flows, reducing our principal risk. We frequently enter into these agreements in our foreign exchange business.

For internal credit exposure measurement purposes, we only apply netting when we believe it is legally enforceable for the relevant jurisdiction and counterparty. Also, we enter into collateral support agreements to enhance our risk management capacity. These collateral arrangements generally provide risk mitigation through periodic (usually daily) margining of the covered portfolio or transactions and termination of the master agreement if the counterparty fails to honor a collateral call. As with netting, when we believe the collateral is enforceable we reflect this in our exposure measurement.

As the replacement values of our portfolios fluctuate with movements in market rates and with changes in the transactions in the portfolios, we also estimate the potential future replacement costs of the portfolios over their lifetimes or, in case of collateralized portfolios, over appropriate unwind periods. We measure our potential future exposure against separate limits, which can be a multiple of the credit limit. We supplement our potential future exposure analysis with stress tests to estimate the immediate impact of market events on our exposures (such as event risk in our Emerging Markets portfolio).

Treatment of Default Situations Under Derivatives. Unlike in the case of our standard loan assets, we generally have more options to manage the credit risk in our OTC derivatives when movement in the current replacement costs of the transactions and the behavior of our counterparty indicate that there is the risk that upcoming payment obligations under the transactions might not be honored. In these situations, we frequently are able to obtain additional collateral or terminate the transactions or the related master agreement.

When our decision to terminate transactions or the related master agreement results in a residual net obligation of the counterparty, we restructure the obligation into a nonderivative claim and manage it through our regular workout process. As a consequence, we do not show any nonperforming derivatives.

Country Risk

We manage country risk through a number of risk measures and limits, the most important being:

Total Counterparty Exposure. We set limits on our aggregate credit exposure to counterparties that we view as being at risk if economic or political events occur, and which could lead to widespread credit defaults in a particular country (a "country risk event").

We include all credit extended to counterparties domiciled in that country (including non-guaranteed subsidiaries of foreign entities). We also include credit extended to offshore subsidiaries of those local clients.

Transfer Risk Exposure. Arises where we extend credit from one of our offices in one country to a counterparty in a different country. We define the transfer risk component of such credit risk as arising where an otherwise solvent and willing debtor is unable to meet its obligations due to the imposition of governmental or regulatory controls restricting its ability either to obtain foreign exchange or to transfer assets to nonresidents (a "transfer risk event").

- For internal risk management purposes, transfer risk includes credit we have extended to our own international branches and subsidiaries, although for this disclosure we have not included these transactions.

Highly-Stressed Event Risk Scenarios. We use stress testing to measure potential market risk on our trading positions and view these as market risks.

Country Risk Ratings

Our country risk ratings represent a key tool in our management of country risk. In 2003, we replaced the country credit risk rating with sovereign foreign and local currency ratings. Our ratings now include:

- *Sovereign Ratings.* They estimate the probability of the sovereign defaulting on its foreign or local currency obligations, respectively.
- *Transfer Risk Rating.* An estimate of the probability of a transfer risk event (usually as part of a country risk event).
- *Event Risk Rating.* For further details see “Market Risk” below.

Our ratings are established by an independent country risk research function within our Credit Risk Management department.

All sovereign ratings and transfer risk ratings are reviewed, and revised or reaffirmed, at least annually by the Group Credit Policy Committee. Our country risk research group also reviews, at least quarterly, our ratings for the major Emerging Markets countries in which we conduct business. Ratings for countries that we view as particularly volatile, as well as all event risk scenario ratings, are subject to continuous review.

We also regularly compare our internal risk ratings with the ratings of the major international rating agencies.

Country Risk Limits

We manage our exposure to country risk through a framework of limits. We set country limits for all Emerging Markets countries as defined below. They include limits on total counterparty exposure, transfer risk exposure, and event risk scenario risk. Limits are reviewed at least annually, in conjunction with the review of country risk ratings. Country limits are set by either our Board of Managing Directors or by our Group Credit Policy Committee, pursuant to delegated authority.

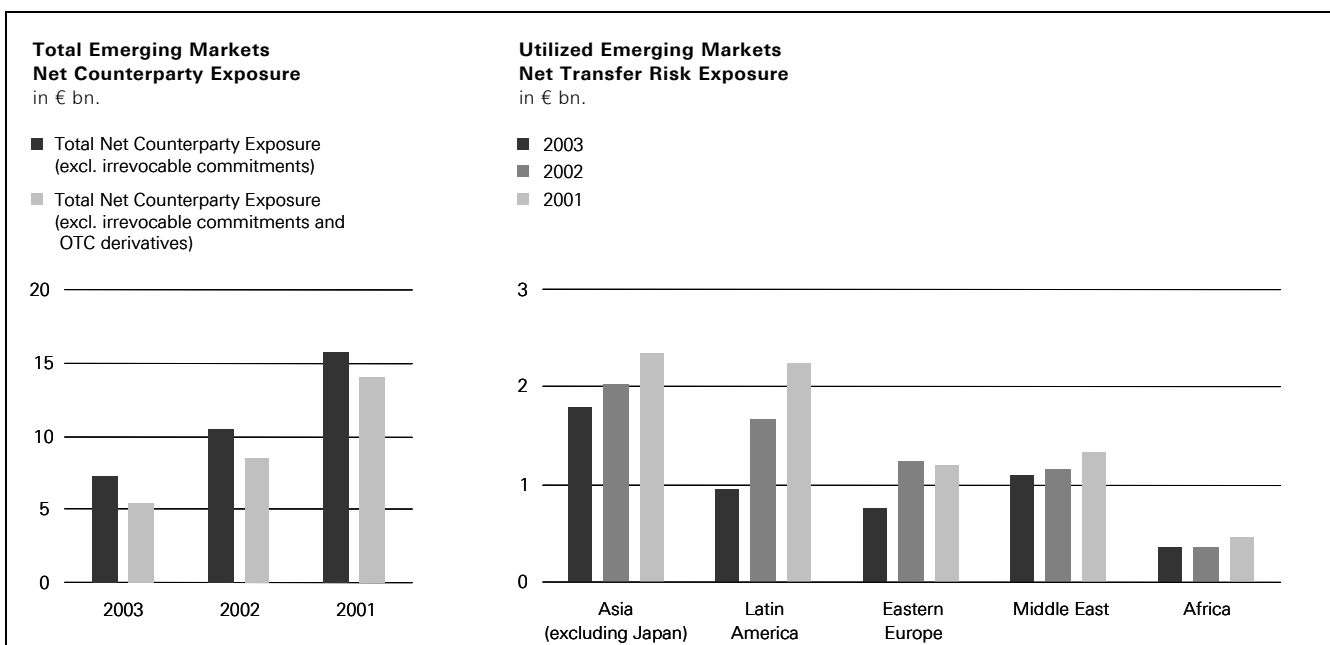
Monitoring Country Risk

We charge our Group Divisions with the responsibility of managing their country risk within the approved limits. The regional units within Credit Risk Management monitor our country risk based on information provided by our controlling function. Our Group Credit Policy Committee also reviews data on transfer risk.

The bank specifically monitors its exposure to Emerging Markets. For this purpose, Emerging Markets are defined as including all countries in Latin America (including the Caribbean), Asia (excluding Japan), Eastern Europe, the Middle East and Africa. In connection with this strategy, our Credit Risk Management department focuses particularly on our total counterparty exposure to Emerging Markets countries and regularly provides reports to our Group Credit Policy Committee.

Country Risk Exposure

The following charts show the development of total Emerging Markets counterparty exposure (net of collateral), and the utilized Emerging Markets transfer risk exposure (net of collateral) by region.



On December 31, 2003, our utilized transfer risk exposure to Emerging Markets (net of collateral) amounted to € 4.9 billion, down from € 6.4 billion on December 31, 2002 and € 7.6 billion on December 31, 2001.

Measuring our Default and Transfer Risk Exposures

We measure our exposure to default and transfer risk using expected loss and economic capital calculations. We base our expected loss and economic capital calculations on that part of our total credit exposure that we feel is exposed to default and transfer risk. We exclude exposures that we treat as subject to risks other than default and transfer risk (e.g., exposure for which we assign economic capital under market risk policies).

The following table shows our default and transfer risk exposure, and expected loss and economic capital, by Group Division, as we calculate it for expected loss and economic capital purposes.

| December 31, 2003 in € m. | Corporate and Investment Bank | Private Clients and Asset Management | Other ¹ | Total Group |
|---|----------------------------------|--|--------------------|----------------|
| Loans | 74,197 | 71,182 | 2,848 | 148,227 |
| OTC derivatives | 60,376 | 95 | – | 60,471 |
| Contingent liabilities | 22,226 | 3,841 | 470 | 26,537 |
| Irrevocable loan commitments | 82,671 | 5,943 | 270 | 88,884 |
| Repurchase and reverse repurchase agreements and securities lending and borrowing | 8,981 | 1 | – | 8,982 |
| Interest-earning deposits with banks | 14,475 | 137 | 38 | 14,650 |
| Total credit exposure² | 262,926 | 81,199 | 3,626 | 347,751 |
| Expected loss ² | 574 | 264 | 4 | 842 |
| Economic capital usage for default and transfer risk ² | 5,600 | 1,146 | 37 | 6,783 |

¹ Primarily relates to the Corporate Investments Group Division.

² Excludes tradable assets.

Credit Loss Experience and Allowance for Loan Losses

We establish an allowance for loan losses that represents our estimate of probable losses in our loan portfolio. The responsibility for determining our allowance for loan losses rests with credit risk management. The components of this allowance are:

Specific Loss Component: Allowances we maintain to cover the default risk of specific exposures.

Inherent Loss Component

- *Country Risk Allowance:* Allowances we maintain to cover credit losses inherent in our pool of cross border loans to borrowers located in certain countries solely as a result of transfer risks.
- *Smaller-Balance Standardized Homogeneous Loan Loss Allowance:* Allowances we maintain at a portfolio level to cover credit losses inherent in these types of loans.
- *Other Inherent Loss Allowance:* Allowances we maintain as an estimate of credit losses that we have not otherwise identified.

Specific Loss Component

The specific loss component relates to all loans deemed to be impaired, following an assessment of the counterparty's ability to repay. A loan is considered to be impaired when we determine that it is probable that we will be unable to collect all interest and principal due in accordance with the terms of the loan agreement. We determine the amount, if any, of the specific provision we should make, taking into account the present value of expected future cash flows, the fair value of the underlying collateral or the market price of the loan.

We regularly re-evaluate all credit exposures that have already been specifically provided for, as well as all credit exposures that appear on our watchlist.

Inherent Loss Component

The inherent loss component relates to all other loans we do not individually provide for, but which we believe to have incurred some inherent loss on a portfolio basis.

Country Risk Allowance. We establish a country risk allowance for loan exposures in countries where we have serious doubts about the ability of our counterparties to comply with the repayment terms due to the economic or political situation prevailing in the respective countries of domicile, that is, for transfer risks. We determine the percentage rates for our country risk allowance on the basis of a comprehensive matrix that encompasses both historical loss experience and market data, such as economic, political and other relevant factors affecting a country's financial condition. In making our decision, we focus primarily on the transfer risk ratings that we assign to a country and the amount and type of collateral.

Smaller-Balance Standardized Homogeneous Loan Loss Allowance. Our smaller-balance standardized homogeneous portfolio includes smaller-balance personal loans, residential and nonresidential mortgage loans, overdrafts and loans to self-employed and small business customers of our private and retail business. These loans are evaluated for inherent loss on a collective basis, based on analyses of historical loss experience from each product type according to criteria such as past due status and collateral recovery values. The resulting allowance encompasses the loss inherent both in current and performing loans, as well as in delinquent and nonperforming loans within the smaller-balance standardized homogeneous loan portfolio.

Other Inherent Loss Allowance. This component of the allowance represents an estimate of our inherent losses resulting from the imprecisions and uncertainties in determining credit losses. This estimate of inherent losses excludes those exposures we have already considered in the specific loss component as described above or considered when establishing our allowance for smaller-balance standardized homogeneous loans. We have historically used a ratio of an entity's historical average losses (net of recoveries) to the historical average of its loan exposures, the result of which we applied to our corresponding period end loan exposures and adjusted the result for relevant environmental factors. As a consequence of our improved risk management processes and capabilities, in 2002 we refined the measure for calculating our other inherent loss allowance. This refinement was made in order to make the provision more sensitive to the prevailing credit environment and less based on historical loss experience. The new measurement incorporates the expected loss results, which we generate as part of our economic capital calculations, outlined above. Therefore, the new measurement considers, among other factors, our internal rating information which results in a better reflection of the current economic situation and consequently provides better guidance for losses inherent in the portfolio that have not yet been individually identified.

Charge-off Policy

We take charge-offs based on credit risk management's assessment when we determine that the loans are non-collectable. We generally charge off a loan when all economically sensible means of recovery have been exhausted. Our determination considers information such as the occurrence of significant changes in the borrower's financial position such that the borrower can no longer pay the obligation, or that the proceeds from collateral will not be sufficient to pay the loan.

Prior to 2001, our entities regulated outside the United States, which accounted for approximately 87% of our net charge-offs in 2000, consistently charged off loans when all legal means of recovery had been exhausted. This practice resulted in charge-offs occurring at a later date than for our entities regulated in the United States.

We began to develop a methodology in 2001 to bring our worldwide charge-off practices more into line with industry practices in the United States and had anticipated that the timing of our charge-offs would accelerate. In 2001, entities regulated outside the United States began to implement this change, which resulted in a higher level of charge-offs relative to that which would have occurred under the prior practice.

Problem Loans

Our problem loans are comprised of nonaccrual loans, loans 90 days or more past due and still accruing and troubled debt restructurings. As of December 31, 2003 all loans where known information about possible credit problems of borrowers causes management to have serious doubts as to the ability of such borrowers to comply with the present loan repayment terms are included in our problem loans. Additionally, as of December 31, 2003, we have other interest-bearing assets that are nonperforming derived from a distressed loan portfolio held for sale in Asia amounting to € 126 million. However, these are not included in our total problem loans.

The following table presents the components of our 2003 and 2002 problem loans:

| in € m. | Dec 31, 2003 | | | Dec 31, 2002 | | |
|---|-----------------------------|---------------------------------|--------------|-----------------------------|---------------------------------|---------------|
| | Impaired Loans ¹ | Nonperforming Homogeneous Loans | Total | Impaired Loans ¹ | Nonperforming Homogeneous Loans | Total |
| Nonaccrual loans | 4,980 | 1,062 | 6,042 | 8,497 | 1,601 | 10,098 |
| Loans 90 days or more past due and still accruing | 74 | 306 | 380 | 233 | 276 | 509 |
| Troubled debt restructurings | 201 | – | 201 | 192 | – | 192 |
| Total problem loans | 5,255 | 1,368 | 6,623 | 8,922 | 1,877 | 10,799 |

¹Loans for which we determine that it is probable that we will be unable to collect all principal and interest due according to the contractual terms of the loan agreements.

The decrease in our total problem loans in 2003 is due to € 1.9 billion of gross charge-offs, a € 0.2 billion reduction due to deconsolidations, a € 0.5 billion reduction as a result of exchange rate movements and a € 1.6 billion net reduction of problem loans. The overall decrease in problem loans includes effects from refinements of processes and procedures relating to the smaller-balance standardized homogeneous portfolio in the third quarter 2003, namely € 460 million reduction in nonperforming smaller-balance standardized homogeneous loans less than 90 days past due and € 240 million charge-offs. Included in the € 1.4 billion nonperforming smaller-balance standardized homogeneous loans, as of December 31, 2003, are € 1.3 billion of loans that are 90 days or more past due as well as € 0.1 billion of loans that are less than 90 days past due but in the judgment of management the accrual of interest should be ceased.

The following table illustrates our total problem loans based on the domicile of our counterparty (within or outside Germany) for the last five years.

| in € m. | Dec 31, 2003 | Dec 31, 2002 | Dec 31, 2001 | Dec 31, 2000 | Dec 31, 1999 |
|--|-----------------|-----------------|---------------------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| Nonaccrual loans | | | | | |
| German | 3,448 | 4,587 | 6,538 | 3,730 | 3,899 |
| Non-German | 2,594 | 5,511 | 4,990 | 2,824 | 2,104 |
| Total nonaccrual loans | 6,042 | 10,098 | 11,528¹ | 6,554 | 6,003 |
| Loans 90 days or more past due and still accruing | | | | | |
| German | 335 | 439 | 658 | 1,028 | 985 |
| Non-German | 45 | 70 | 189 | 470 | 1,275 |
| Total loans 90 days or more past due and still accruing | 380 | 509 | 847 | 1,498 | 2,260 |
| Troubled debt restructurings | | | | | |
| German | 20 | 38 | 57 | 14 | 242 |
| Non-German | 181 | 154 | 222 | 141 | 154 |
| Total troubled debt restructurings | 201 | 192 | 279 | 155 | 396 |

¹ Total nonaccrual loans for 2001 includes approximately € 3.4 billion of impaired loans that were classified as potential problem loans in 2000.

Nonaccrual Loans. We place a loan on nonaccrual status if either:

- the loan has been in default as to payment of principal or interest for 90 days or more and the loan is neither well secured nor in the process of collection, or
- the loan is not yet 90 days past due, but in the judgment of management the accrual of interest should be ceased before 90 days because it is probable that we will be unable to collect all principal and interest due according to the contractual terms of the loan agreement.

When a loan is placed on nonaccrual status, any accrued but unpaid interest previously recorded is reversed against current period interest revenue. Cash receipts of interest on nonaccrual loans are recorded as either interest revenue or a reduction of principal according to management's judgment as to collectability of principal.

As of December 31, 2003, our nonaccrual loans totaled € 6.0 billion, a net decrease of € 4.1 billion, or 40%, from 2002. The net decrease in nonaccrual loans is due to charge-offs, deconsolidations, exchange rate movements, refinements in processes and procedures, net exposure reductions and improved credit quality.

As of December 31, 2002, our nonaccrual loans totaled € 10.1 billion, a net decrease of € 1.4 billion, or 12%, from 2001. The net decrease in nonaccrual loans is mainly due to charge-offs, deconsolidations and exposure reductions, partially offset by loans classified as nonaccrual for the first time.

Loans Ninety Days or More Past Due and Still Accruing. These are loans in which contractual interest or principal payments are 90 days or more past due but on which we continue to recognize interest revenue. These loans are well secured and in the process of collection.

In 2003, our 90 days or more past due and still accruing interest loans totaled € 380 million, a net decrease of € 129 million, or 25% to 2002. This decrease is mainly due to the placing of loans on nonaccrual status.

In 2002, our 90 days or more past due and still accruing interest loans decreased by € 338 million, or 40% to € 509 million. This decrease is mainly due to deconsolidations (€ 217 million), the placing of loans on nonaccrual status and charge-offs.

Troubled Debt Restructurings. Troubled debt restructurings are loans that we have restructured due to deterioration in the borrower's financial position. We may restructure these loans in one or more of the following ways:

- Reducing the stated interest rate for the remaining portion of the original life of the debt;
- Extending the maturity date (or dates) at an interest rate lower than the current market rate for new debt with a similar risk profile;
- Reducing the face amount or maturity amount of the debt; and
- Reducing the accrued interest on the debt.

If a borrower performs satisfactorily for one year under a restructured loan involving a modification of terms, we no longer consider that borrower's loan to be a troubled debt restructuring, unless at the time of restructuring the new interest rate was lower than the market rate for similar credit risks. These loans are not included in the reported troubled debt restructurings amounts.

The volume of troubled debt restructurings is materially unchanged from that of December 31, 2002.

Our troubled debt restructurings totaled € 192 million as of December 31, 2002, a decrease of 31% from 2001. The decrease in our troubled debt restructurings is mainly due to exposure reductions and loans now classified as nonaccrual.

The following table shows the approximate effect on interest revenue of nonaccrual loans and troubled debt restructurings. It shows the gross interest income that would have been recorded in 2003 if those loans had been current in accordance with their original terms and had been outstanding throughout 2003 or since their origination, if we only held them for part of 2003. It also shows the amount of interest income on those loans that was included in net income for 2003. On the nonperforming other interest bearing assets we experienced a reduction of interest revenue of € 21 million.

| in € m. | 2003 |
|---|------------|
| German loans | |
| Gross amount of interest that would have been recorded at original rate | 155 |
| Less interest, net of reversals, recognized in interest revenue | 68 |
| Reduction of interest revenue | 87 |
| Non-German loans | |
| Gross amount of interest that would have been recorded at original rate | 162 |
| Less interest, net of reversals, recognized in interest revenue | 17 |
| Reduction of interest revenue | 145 |
| Total reduction of interest revenue | 232 |

Allowance for Loan Losses

The following table sets forth the components of our allowance for loan losses by industry of the borrower, and the percentage of our total loan portfolio accounted for by those industry classifications, on the dates specified. The breakdown between German and non-German borrowers is based on the location of the borrowers.

| in € m. (except percentages) | Dec 31, 2003 | | Dec 31, 2002 | | Dec 31, 2001 | | Dec 31, 2000 | | Dec 31, 1999 | |
|--|--------------|-------------|--------------|-------------|--------------|-------------|--------------|-------------|--------------|-------------|
| German: | | | | | | | | | | |
| Specific loan loss allowance: | | | | | | | | | | |
| Banks and insurance | 38 | 3% | 37 | 1% | 7 | 3% | 67 | 4% | 6 | 2% |
| Manufacturing | 338 | 6% | 317 | 5% | 427 | 5% | 668 | 5% | 707 | 5% |
| Households (excluding mortgages) | 68 | 10% | 121 | 8% | 102 | 5% | 110 | 5% | 64 | 5% |
| Households-mortgages | 17 | 17% | 5 | 15% | 73 | 13% | 58 | 12% | 171 | 13% |
| Public sector | – | 1% | – | 1% | – | 8% | – | 8% | – | 8% |
| Wholesale and retail trade | 154 | 3% | 130 | 3% | 187 | 2% | 359 | 3% | 407 | 4% |
| Commercial real estate activities | 350 | 8% | 287 | 9% | 643 | 11% | 773 | 9% | 689 | 9% |
| Other | 378 | 9% | 479 | 9% | 606 | 9% | 840 | 11% | 990 | 13% |
| Specific German total | 1,343 | | 1,376 | | 2,045 | | 2,875 | | 3,034 | |
| Inherent loss allowance | 472 | | 495 | | 1,098 | | 1,395 | | 1,435 | |
| German total | 1,815 | 57% | 1,871 | 51% | 3,143 | 56% | 4,270 | 57% | 4,469 | 59% |
| Non-German: | | | | | | | | | | |
| Specific loan loss allowance | 1,128 | | 1,768 | | 1,675 | | 1,702 | | 1,575 | |
| Inherent loss allowance | 338 | | 678 | | 767 | | 773 | | 1,237 | |
| Non-German total | 1,466 | 43% | 2,446 | 49% | 2,442 | 44% | 2,475 | 43% | 2,812 | 41% |
| Total allowance for loan losses | 3,281 | 100% | 4,317 | 100% | 5,585 | 100% | 6,745 | 100% | 7,281 | 100% |
| Total specific allowance | 2,471 | | 3,144 | | 3,720 | | 4,577 | | 4,609 | |
| Total inherent loss allowance | 810 | | 1,173 | | 1,865 | | 2,168 | | 2,672 | |
| Total allowance for loan losses | 3,281 | | 4,317 | | 5,585 | | 6,745 | | 7,281 | |

Movements in the Allowance for Loan Losses. We record increases to our allowance for loan losses as an expense on our Consolidated Statement of Income. If we determine that we no longer need provisions we have taken previously, we decrease our allowance and record the amount as a reduction of the provision on our Consolidated Statement of Income. Charge-offs reduce our allowance while recoveries increase the allowance without affecting the Consolidated Statement of Income.

The following table sets forth a breakdown of the movements in our allowance for loan losses for the periods specified.

| in € m. (except percentages) | 2003 | 2002 | 2001 | 2000 | 1999 |
|---|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| Allowance at beginning of year | 4,317 | 5,585 | 6,745 | 7,281 | 6,516 |
| Charge-offs | | | | | |
| German | | | | | |
| Banks and insurance | 3 | 8 | 7 | 13 | 5 |
| Manufacturing | 57 | 196 | 280 | 123 | 127 |
| Households (excluding mortgages) | 169 | 400 | 214 | 37 | 41 |
| Households-mortgages | 30 | 45 | 27 | 39 | 48 |
| Public sector | - | - | - | - | - |
| Wholesale and retail trade | 41 | 140 | 192 | 60 | 81 |
| Commercial real estate activities | 59 | 127 | 209 | 148 | 158 |
| Lease financing | - | - | 1 | 3 | 2 |
| Other | 217 | 567 | 426 | 220 | 147 |
| Total German | 576 | 1,483 | 1,356 | 643 | 609 |
| Non-German | | | | | |
| Excluding lease financing | 1,318 | 1,244 | 697 | 652 | 215 |
| Lease financing only | - | 1 | 2 | 1 | 15 |
| Total Non-German | 1,318 | 1,245 | 699 | 653 | 230 |
| Total charge-offs | 1,894 | 2,728 | 2,055 | 1,296 | 839 |
| Recoveries | | | | | |
| German | | | | | |
| Banks and insurance | - | - | - | - | 1 |
| Manufacturing | 7 | 4 | 4 | 10 | 8 |
| Households (excluding mortgages) | 48 | 24 | 15 | 3 | 2 |
| Households-mortgages | - | 2 | 2 | - | - |
| Public sector | - | - | - | - | - |
| Wholesale and retail trade | 6 | 3 | 1 | - | - |
| Commercial real estate activities | 2 | 3 | - | 3 | 5 |
| Lease financing | - | - | - | - | - |
| Other | 36 | 42 | 11 | 35 | 5 |
| Total German | 99 | 78 | 33 | 51 | 21 |
| Non-German | | | | | |
| Excluding lease financing | 67 | 34 | 34 | 24 | 23 |
| Lease financing only | 1 | - | - | - | 6 |
| Total Non-German | 68 | 34 | 34 | 24 | 29 |
| Total recoveries | 167 | 112 | 67 | 75 | 50 |
| Net charge-offs | 1,727 | 2,616 | 1,988 | 1,221 | 789 |
| Provision for loan losses | 1,113 | 2,091 | 1,024 | 478 | 725 |
| Other changes (currency translation and allowance related to acquisitions/divestitures) | (422) | (743) | (196) | 207 | 829 |
| Allowance at end of year | 3,281 | 4,317 | 5,585 | 6,745 | 7,281 |
| Percentage of total net charge-offs to average loans for the year | 1.04% | 1.15% | 0.71% | 0.39% | 0.31% |

The following table presents an analysis of the changes in the international component of the allowance for loan losses. As of December 31, 2003, 45% of our total allowance was attributable to international clients.

| in € m. | 2003 | 2002 | 2001 | 2000 | 1999 |
|---|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| Allowance at beginning of year | 2,446 | 2,441 | 2,475 | 2,812 | 1,918 |
| Charge-offs | 1,318 | 1,245 | 699 | 653 | 230 |
| Recoveries | 68 | 34 | 34 | 24 | 29 |
| Net charge-offs | 1,250 | 1,211 | 665 | 629 | 201 |
| Provision for loan losses | 590 | 1,500 | 710 | 219 | 296 |
| Other changes (currency translation and allowance related to acquisitions/divestitures) | (320) | (284) | (79) | 73 | 799 |
| Allowance at end of year | 1,466 | 2,446 | 2,441 | 2,475 | 2,812 |

Our allowance for loan losses as of December 31, 2003 was € 3.3 billion, 24% lower than the € 4.3 billion at the end of 2002. The decrease in our allowance balance was principally due to charge-offs exceeding our net provisions. This is as a result of exposures being provided largely in 2002 and subsequently written-off in 2003, predominantly in the telecommunications industry. Also, € 422 million of the overall reduction in our allowance for loan losses can be attributed both to exchange rate movements and to deconsolidations.

Our gross charge-offs amounted to € 1.9 billion in 2003, a decrease of € 834 million, or 31%, from 2002 charge-offs. Of the charge-offs for 2003, € 1.3 billion were related to our corporate credit exposure, mainly driven by our American and German portfolios, and € 579 million were related to our consumer credit exposure.

Our provision for loan losses in 2003 was € 1.1 billion, a decrease of 47% from the prior year, reflecting the overall improved credit quality of our corporate loan book as evidenced by the increase in the portion of our loans carrying an investment-grade rating. This amount was composed of both net new specific and inherent loan loss provisions. The provision for the year was primarily due to specific loan loss provisions required against a wide range of industry sectors, the two largest being Utilities and Manufacturing and Engineering.

Our specific loan loss allowance was € 2.5 billion as of December 31, 2003, a decrease of € 673 million, or a 21% reduction from 2002. The change in our allowance includes a net specific loan loss provision of € 918 million, 70% of which related to non-German clients. The provision was 53% lower than the previous year and was more than offset by net charge-offs of € 1.2 billion. Notably, the specific loan loss allowance is the largest component of our total allowance for loan losses. Consequently, the net reduction in our specific loan loss allowance for 2003 is also principally due to charge-offs exceeding our net provisions. This is a result of exposures being provided largely in 2002 and subsequently written-off in 2003, predominantly in the telecommunications industry. The overall reduction in our allowance for loan losses can also be attributed to exchange rate movements and to deconsolidations.

Our inherent loan loss allowance totaled € 810 million as of December 31, 2003, a decrease of € 363 million, or 31%, from the level at the end of 2002. A major driver of the net reduction was € 506 million net charge-offs in our smaller-balance standardized homogeneous loan portfolio, which included € 240 million due to refinements of processes and procedures. The change also reflected a net provision for smaller-balance standardized homogeneous loans of € 308 million. Furthermore, in 2003 we recorded a net reduction of € 158 million in our other inherent loss allowance due to the ongoing reduction of our corporate loan exposure, including loan sales and deconsolidations, as well as the overall improved credit quality of our corporate loan book and effects from currency translations.

Our allowance for loan losses as of December 31, 2002 was € 4.3 billion, 23% lower than the € 5.6 billion at the end of 2001. This decrease in our allowance balance was principally due to increases in our charge-offs, partially offset by increases in our provisions due to adverse economic conditions that continued to persist in 2002. The overall reduction in our allowance for loan losses can also be attributed to net deconsolidations of € 421 million and exchange rate movements.

Our gross charge-offs grew to € 2.7 billion in 2002, an increase of € 673 million, or 33%, over 2001 charge-offs. Of the charge-offs for 2002, € 1.9 billion were related to our corporate credit exposure, mainly driven by our German and North American portfolios, and € 777 million were related to our consumer credit exposure.

Our provision for loan losses in 2002 was € 2.1 billion, an increase of 104% from the prior year. This amount is composed of both net new specific and inherent loan loss provisions. The provision for the year was primarily due to provisions raised to address the downturn in the telecommunications industry and specific loan loss provisions reflecting the deterioration in various industry sectors represented within our German portfolio and the Americas.

Our specific loan loss allowance was € 3.1 billion as of December 31, 2002, a decrease of € 576 million, or a 15% reduction from 2001. The change in our allowance includes a net specific loan loss provision of € 2.0 billion, 74% of which was for non-German clients. The provision was 111% higher than the previous year. The increased provision, however, was nearly offset by net charge-offs of € 1.8 billion. As the specific loan loss allowance is the largest component of our total allowance for loan losses, the net reduction in our specific loan loss allowance for 2002 is also due to the reasons outlined above for the overall reduction in our total allowance for loan losses.

Our inherent loan loss allowance totaled € 1.2 billion as of December 31, 2002, a decrease of € 692 million, or 37%, from the level at the end of 2001. A major driver of the net reduction was € 716 million net charge-offs in our smaller-balance standardized homogeneous loan portfolio, partially offset by a net provision for smaller-balance standardized homogeneous exposures of € 179 million. The volume of charge-offs in the smaller-balance standardized homogeneous portfolio in 2002 was affected by the establishment of days-past-due thresholds at which certain smaller-balance standardized homogeneous loan types are completely charged-off.

Our allowance for loan losses as of December 31, 2001 was € 5.6 billion, 17% lower than the € 6.7 billion at the end of 2000. This decrease in our allowance balance was principally due to increases in our charge-offs, offset by increases in provisions due to weakened economic conditions in 2001.

Our charge-offs grew to € 2.1 billion in 2001, an increase of € 759 million, or 59%, over 2000 charge-offs. This was principally due to a change in practice in our entities regulated outside the United States. Out of the total charge-offs for 2001 € 1.4 billion or two-thirds were in our German portfolio, of which € 957 million applied to clients in the medium-sized corporate portfolio and € 407 million related to smaller-balance standardized homogeneous exposures. Approximately 25% of the charge-offs in the German-Other category, which totaled € 426 million, related to a single medium-sized German corporate client in the construction industry. The remaining € 700 million were charge-offs in our non-German portfolio, of which € 402 million, or 58%, related to charge-offs in North America, principally in our leveraged business.

Our total provision for loan losses in 2001 was € 1.0 billion, an increase of 114% from the prior year. This amount was comprised of both new specific and inherent loan loss provisions, reflecting the downturn in the global economy.

Our specific loan loss allowance was € 3.7 billion as of December 31, 2001, a 19% decrease from 2000. The change in the allowance includes a specific loan loss provision of € 951 million, 70% of which was for non-German clients. The provision was 18% higher than the prior year and included increased provisions related to a single American borrower in the utilities industry, various Argentine exposures and our leveraged business. The increased provision was offset in part by € 1.6 billion in net charge-offs.

Our inherent loss allowance totaled € 1.9 billion as of December 31, 2001, a decrease of € 303 million, or 14%, from the level at the end of 2000. A major driver of the net reduction was € 383 million of charge-offs in our Private and Personal Banking business in Germany, partially offset by a provision for smaller-balance standardized homogeneous exposures of € 127 million. Furthermore, our country risk allowance shows a net decrease of 16%, reflecting the sell down of assets which previously attracted country risk allowance in Turkey and throughout Asia excluding Japan, and an increase in collateral held against cross border assets.

Our allowance for loans losses as of December 31, 2000 was € 6.7 billion, 7% lower than the € 7.3 billion at the end of 1999. This decrease in our allowance balance was principally due to increases in our charge-offs, lower specific provisions and a net release of our inherent loss provisions.

Our charge-offs increased to € 1.3 billion in 2000, a € 457 million, or 54%, increase over 1999 charge-offs. Of this increase, € 423 million was exclusively attributable to our non-German customers. Approximately 70%, or € 296 million, of this increase was due to charge-offs related to Russia and Iraq. We also had € 34 million of charge-offs for our German clients in the medium-sized corporate portfolio. Approximately 60% of the charge-offs captured in the German Other category related to a single medium-sized German corporate customer in the construction industry.

Our total provision for loan losses in 2000 was € 478 million, a decline of 34% from the prior year. This balance was composed of net new specific loan loss provisions and a release of our inherent loss provision. Our total net new specific loan loss provision amounted to € 805 million, which was almost equally split between German and non-German clients. Our specific loan loss provisions declined between 1999 and 2000, reflecting the improvement of the quality of our loan portfolio. Specific provisions were approximately 13% less in 2000 than the prior year due in large part to provisions we took in 1999 with respect to a significant exposure to a single German borrower in the real estate industry.

Our inherent loss allowance totaled € 2.2 billion as of December 31, 2000, a 19% drop from the level at the end of 1999. This decline reflected the effect of the € 296 million of charge-offs described above and country provision releases totaling € 154 million. Of the € 154 million country provision releases, € 88 million was due to reduced exposure (mainly in Brazil and Turkey), € 34 million was due to a net reduction in provisioning rates applied to individual countries, and the remaining amount related to other changes, primarily foreign exchange. In addition to a small increase in our allowances on the smaller-balance standardized homogeneous loan portfolio, we released a net € 98 million from our other inherent loss allowance in 2000 due to two legal entities: EUROHYPO AG and Bankers Trust. Each of these entities had a decrease in its loss factors in 2000 because of a decline in its historical average charge-offs and an increase in its average loan exposures.

Our allowance for loan losses at December 31, 1999 was € 7.3 billion, a 12% increase from 1998. This increase in our allowance for loan losses was principally due to substantial increases in our specific provisions, and the Bankers Trust acquisition (€ 477 million), partially offset by releases of country risk provisions, a substantial decrease in the inherent loss provision and a slight increase in charge-offs (€ 96 million).

Our total charge-offs increased 13% during 1999 to € 839 million. This increase was primarily attributable to the German domestic portfolio. Approximately 30% of the German-Other charge-off was related to the construction industry.

During 1999, our provision for loan losses totaled € 725 million, a 20% or € 183 million decrease from the preceding year. This decrease was mainly attributable to higher specific loan loss provisions, offset in part by releases of country risk provision. Our German specific provision increased to € 568 million, a 65% increase from the preceding year. This increase was mainly attributable to higher provisions for the German borrower we refer to above.

Our non-German specific provision totaled € 358 million in 1999, a 30% increase from the preceding year. This increase was due to the fact that we were able to specifically identify those exposures, recorded in various Emerging Market countries, which required a specific provision. At the same time, we released country risk provisions, particularly in Indonesia and Turkey.

The following table presents an analysis of the changes in our allowance for credit losses on lending related commitments.

| in € m. | 2003 | 2002 | 2001 |
|---|------------|------------|------------|
| Allowance at beginning of year | 485 | 496 | 453 |
| Provision for credit losses | (50) | 17 | (30) |
| Net charge-offs | - | - | (22) |
| Other changes (currency translation and allowance related to acquisitions/divestitures) | (19) | (28) | 95 |
| Allowance at end of year | 416 | 485 | 496 |

Settlement Risk

Our extensive trading activities may give rise to risk at the time of settlement of those trades. Settlement risk is the risk of loss due to the failure of a counterparty to honor its obligations to deliver cash, securities or other assets as contractually agreed.

For many types of transactions, we mitigate settlement risk by closing the transaction through a clearing agent, which effectively acts as a stakeholder for both parties, only settling the trade once both parties have fulfilled their sides of the bargain.

Where no such settlement system exists, as is commonly the case with foreign exchange trades, the simultaneous commencement of the payment and the delivery parts of the transaction is common practice between trading partners (free settlement). In these cases, we may seek to mitigate our settlement risk through the execution of bilateral payment netting agreements. We are also an active participant in industry initiatives to reduce settlement risks. Acceptance of settlement risk on free settlement trades requires approval from our credit risk personnel, either in the form of pre-approved settlement risk limits, or through transaction-specific approvals. We do not aggregate settlement risk limits with other credit exposures for credit approval purposes, but we take the aggregate exposure into account when we consider whether a given settlement risk would be acceptable.

Market Risk

Substantially all of our businesses are subject to the risk that market prices and rates will move and result in profits or losses for us. We distinguish among four types of market risk:

- Interest rate risk (including specific risk as well as general risk, as described below);
- Equity price risk (including specific risk as well as general risk, as described below);
- Foreign exchange risk; and
- Commodity price risk.

Market Risk Management Framework

We assume market risk in both our trading and our nontrading activities. We assume risk by making markets and taking positions in debt, equity, foreign exchange, other securities and commodities as well as in interest rate, equity, foreign exchange, and commodity derivatives.

We use a combination of risk sensitivities, value-at-risk, stress testing and economic capital metrics to manage market risks and establish limits. Economic capital is the metric we use to describe all our market risks, both in trading and nontrading portfolios. Value-at-risk is also a common metric used in the management of our trading risks.

Our Board of Managing Directors and Group Risk Committee, supported by Group Market Risk Management, which is part of our internally independent risk management function, set a Group-wide value-at-risk limit for the market risks in the trading book. Group Market Risk Management sub-allocates this overall limit to our Group Divisions. Below that, limits are allocated to specific business lines and trading portfolio groups and geographical regions.

Our market risk disclosures for the trading businesses are based on German banking regulations, which permit banks to calculate market risk capital using their own internal models. In October 1998, the German Banking Supervisory Authority (now the German Federal Financial Supervisory Authority) approved our internal market risk models for calculating market risk capital for our general market risk and issuer-specific risk. It confirmed its approval in 2000 and the approval was renewed in 2002. We use our internal value-at-risk model, which we describe below, to calculate the market risk component of our regulatory capital.

Our value-at-risk disclosure is intended to ensure the consistency of market risk reporting for internal risk management, for regulatory purposes and for external disclosure. The overall value-at-risk limit for our Corporate and Investment Bank Group Division was € 73 million throughout the year 2003 (with a 99% confidence level, as we describe below, and a one-day holding period). The value-at-risk limit for our consolidated Group trading positions was € 77 million throughout the year 2003.

Differences in Market Risk Reporting between German Banking Regulations and U.S. GAAP

There are two significant areas where our determination of which assets are trading assets and which are nontrading assets differ under German banking regulations and U.S. GAAP.

First, material differences in the classification of assets as trading assets occur in some of our business units, which are considered to be trading units for regulatory and internal risk management reporting. In these units we have assets that are included in the value-at-risk of the trading units even though they are not trading assets under U.S. GAAP. These assets typically consist of money market loans and tradable loans and are primarily assigned to our Global Markets and Global Corporate Finance business divisions. At year-end 2003, € 1.7 billion of loans were classified as trading assets for regulatory reporting compared with € 3.9 billion at year-end 2002. The decrease was due to smaller loan volumes in some of our business areas out of which the most significant reduction related to our money market business activities.

Second, we have differences due to the application of hedge accounting. At December 31, 2003 the fair value of derivatives that were classified as nontrading assets for regulatory reporting but which were reported as non-qualifying hedges under U.S. GAAP amounted to € 1.0 billion in assets and € 1.3 billion in liabilities.

In addition, we exclude from our value-at-risk figures the foreign exchange risk arising from currency positions that German regulation permits us to exclude from currency risk reporting. These are currency positions which are fully deducted from, or covered by, equity capital recognized for regulatory reporting as well as shares in affiliated companies that we record in foreign currency and value at historical cost - all of which we refer to as structural currency positions. This approach is in accordance with German banking regulations and has the consent of the German Federal Financial Supervisory Authority. These holdings had a total book value of € 11.8 billion on December 31, 2003. Of this amount, 69% was denominated in U.S. dollars, 14% in pounds sterling, and 7% in Japanese yen. The remainder was distributed among various other currencies.

Also, we do not consolidate for German regulatory reporting purposes companies that are not credit institutions, financial services institutions, financial enterprises or bank service enterprises. However, we do consolidate a number of these companies under U.S. GAAP. These companies include primarily our insurance companies and certain investment companies. These companies manage their market risks themselves (pursuant to the regulations applicable to these companies' risk management activities) and we do not include them in this market risk management disclosure. At December 31, 2003 these companies held € 10.9 billion of nontrading assets, while the amount of trading assets held was not material.

Value-at-Risk Analysis

We use the value-at-risk approach to derive quantitative measures for our trading book market risks under normal market conditions.

For a given portfolio, value-at-risk measures the potential future loss (in terms of market value) that, under normal market conditions, will not be exceeded in a defined period and with a defined confidence level. The value-at-risk measure enables us to apply a constant and uniform measure across all of our trading businesses and products. It also facilitates comparisons of our market risk estimates both over time and against our actual daily trading results.

Since January 1, 1999 we have calculated value-at-risk for both internal and external reporting using a 99% confidence level, in accordance with BIS rules. For internal reporting purposes, we use a holding period of one day. For regulatory reporting purposes, the holding period is ten days, i.e. if the portfolio is held without change for ten days there is a 1% chance that the portfolio's market value would decline by an amount greater than the value-at-risk figure.

We believe that our value-at-risk model takes into account all material risk factors assuming normal market conditions. Examples of these factors are interest rates, equity prices, foreign exchange rates and commodity prices, as well as their implied volatilities. The model incorporates both linear and nonlinear effects of the risk factors on the portfolio value. In our model, the nonlinear effects capture risks specific to derivatives. The statistical parameters required for the value-at-risk calculation are based on a 261 trading day history (corresponding to at least one calendar year of trading days) with equal weighting being given to each observation. Since 2002, we have used an aggregation approach based on full correlation among the various risk classes.

The value-at-risk for interest rate and equity price risks consists of two components each. The general risk describes value changes due to general market movements, while the specific risk has issuer-related causes. When aggregating general and specific risks, we assume that there is zero correlation between them.

We calculate value-at-risk using Monte Carlo simulations. A Monte Carlo simulation is a model that calculates profit or loss for a transaction for a large number (such as 10,000) of different market scenarios, which are generated by assuming a joint (log-) normal distribution of market prices based on the observed statistical behavior of the simulated risk factors in the last 261 trading days. However, we still use a variance-covariance approach to calculate specific interest rate risk for some portfolios, such as in our integrated credit trading and securitization businesses. In the variance-covariance method, we derive the estimate of the potential change in market prices from the variance-covariance matrix of the risk factors under consideration. Multiplying this matrix by the proper portfolio sensitivities yields the change in the portfolio value for price movements of one standard deviation which we scale with a factor of 2.33 in order to obtain a result for a 99% confidence level.

Back-Testing

We use back-testing on our trading units to verify the predictive power of the value-at-risk calculations. In back-testing, we compare actual income as well as the hypothetical daily profits and losses under the buy-and-hold assumption (in accordance with German regulatory requirements) with the estimates we had forecast using the value-at-risk model.

A back-testing committee meets on a quarterly basis to discuss back-testing results of the Group as a whole and individual businesses. The committee consists of risk managers, risk controllers and business area controllers. They analyze performance fluctuations and assess the predictive power of our value-at-risk models, which in turn allows us to improve the risk estimation process.

Stress Testing and Economic Capital

While value-at-risk, calculated on a daily basis, supplies forecasts for potential large losses under normal market conditions, we also perform stress tests in which we value our trading portfolios under extreme market scenarios not covered by the confidence interval of our value-at-risk models.

The quantification of market risk under extreme stress scenarios forms the basis of our assessment of the economic capital that we estimate is needed to cover the market risk in all of our positions. Underlying risk factors (market parameters) applicable to the different products are stressed, meaning that we assume a sudden change, according to pre-defined scenarios. We take the worst predicted losses resulting from applying these scenarios to the various portfolios as the economic capital for those businesses. We derive the stress scenarios from historic worst case scenarios adjusted for structural changes in current markets.

For example, we calculate country-specific event risk scenarios for all Emerging Markets and assess these event risk results daily. A committee reviews the country risk ratings and scenario loss limits bi-weekly. In addition to the country-specific event risk scenarios for Emerging Markets, we also run regular (weekly) market stress scenarios on the positions of every major trading portfolio.

Our stress test scenarios include:

- Price and volatility risks for interest rates, equity prices, foreign exchange and commodity prices for industrialized countries. This covers both trading and nontrading securities and investments, as well as trading book derivatives portfolios and includes many basis risks.
- Emerging Markets' risks, including equity price declines, strong interest rate movements and currency devaluations.
- Credit spread risks for bonds and traded loans of both industrialized and Emerging Markets countries.
- Underwriting risks in debt and equity capital markets.

We calculate economic capital by aggregating losses from those stress scenarios using correlations that reflect stressed market conditions (rather than the normal market correlations used in the value-at-risk model). These calculations are performed weekly.

In 2003 we implemented a refined aggregation process for trading market risk in order to better reflect correlations among market risk factors in stressed market conditions. Based on this refined aggregation, our economic capital usage for market risk arising from the trading units totaled € 1.0 billion on December 31, 2003 and € 0.8 billion on December 31, 2002, compared with € 0.9 billion for year-end 2002 based on our previous aggregation process.

Limitations of Our Proprietary Risk Models

Although we believe that our proprietary market risk models are of a high standard, we are committed to their ongoing development and allocate substantial resources to reviewing and improving them.

Our stress testing results and economic capital estimations are limited by the obvious fact that our stress tests are necessarily limited in number and not all downside scenarios can be predicted and simulated. While the risk managers have used their best judgment to define worst case losses, with the knowledge of past extreme market moves, it is possible for our market risk positions to lose more value than even our economic capital estimates.

Our value-at-risk analyses should also be viewed in the context of the limitations of the methodology we use and are therefore not maximum amounts that we can lose on our market risk positions. The limitations of the value-at-risk methodology include the following:

- The use of historical data as a proxy for estimating future events may not capture all potential events, particularly those that are extreme in nature.
- The assumption that changes in risk factors follow a normal or logarithmic normal distribution. This may not be the case in reality and may lead to an underestimation of the probability of extreme market movements.
- The use of a holding period of one day (or ten days for regulatory value-at-risk calculations) assumes that all positions can be liquidated or hedged in that period of time. This assumption does not fully capture the market risk arising during periods of illiquidity, when liquidation or hedging in that period of time may not be possible. This is particularly the case for the use of a one-day holding period.
- The use of a 99% confidence level does not take account of, nor makes any statement about, any losses that might occur beyond this level of confidence.
- We calculate value-at-risk at the close of business on each trading day. We do not subject intra-day exposures to intra-day value-at-risk calculations.
- Value-at-risk does not capture all of the complex effects of the risk factors on the value of positions and portfolios and could, therefore, underestimate potential losses. For example, the way sensitivities are represented in the value-at-risk model may only be exact for small changes in market parameters.

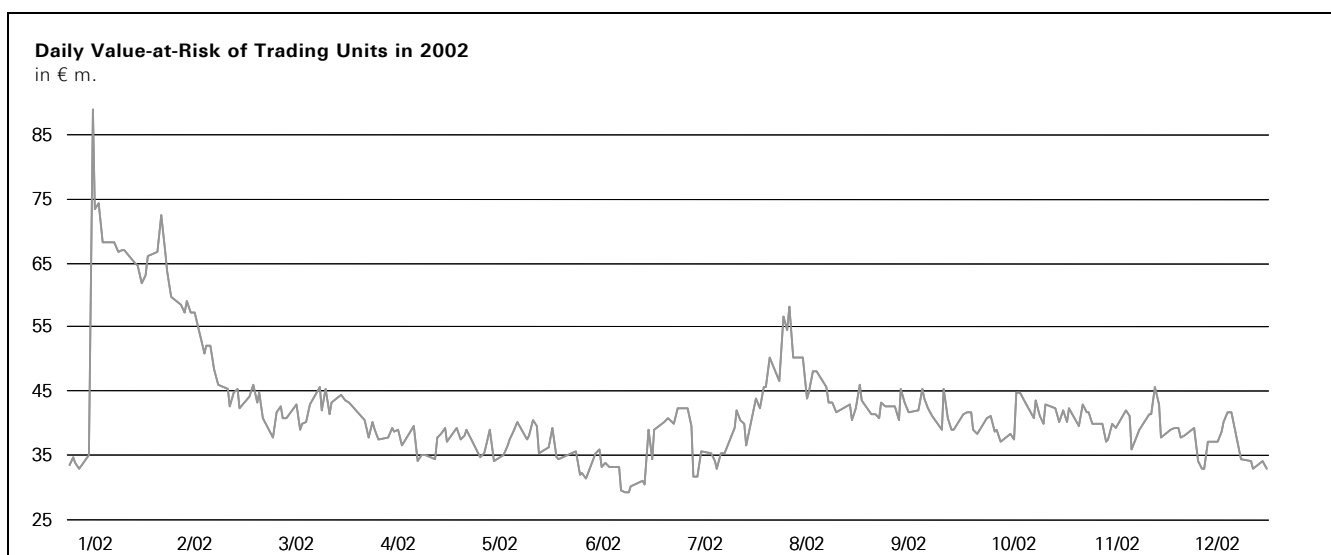
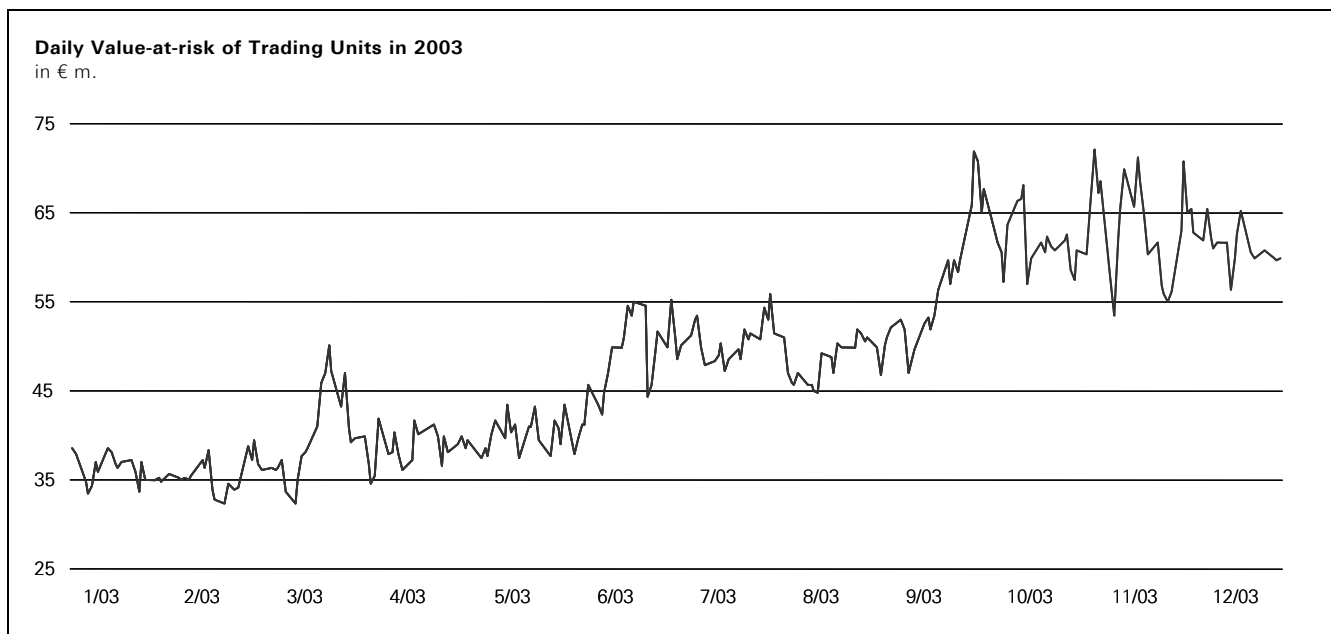
We believe that the aggregate value-at-risk estimates for our consolidated Group as a whole stand up well against our back-testing procedures (as measured by the number of hypothetical buy-and-hold portfolio losses against the predicted value-at-risk). However, we acknowledge the limitations in the value-at-risk methodology by supplementing the value-at-risk limits with other position and sensitivity limit structures, as well as with stress testing, both on individual portfolios and on a consolidated basis.

Value-at-Risk of the Trading Units of Our Corporate and Investment Bank Group Division

The following table shows the value-at-risk of our trading units in 2003 and 2002. The minimum and maximum value-at-risk amounts show the bands within which the values fluctuated during the periods specified. We calculate the value-at-risk with a holding period of one day and a confidence level of 99%. “Diversification effect” refers to the effect that the total value-at-risk on a given day is lower than the sum of the values-at-risk relating to the individual risk factors. Simply adding the value-at-risk figures of the individual risk classes to arrive at an aggregate value-at-risk would imply the assumption that the losses in all risk categories occur simultaneously.

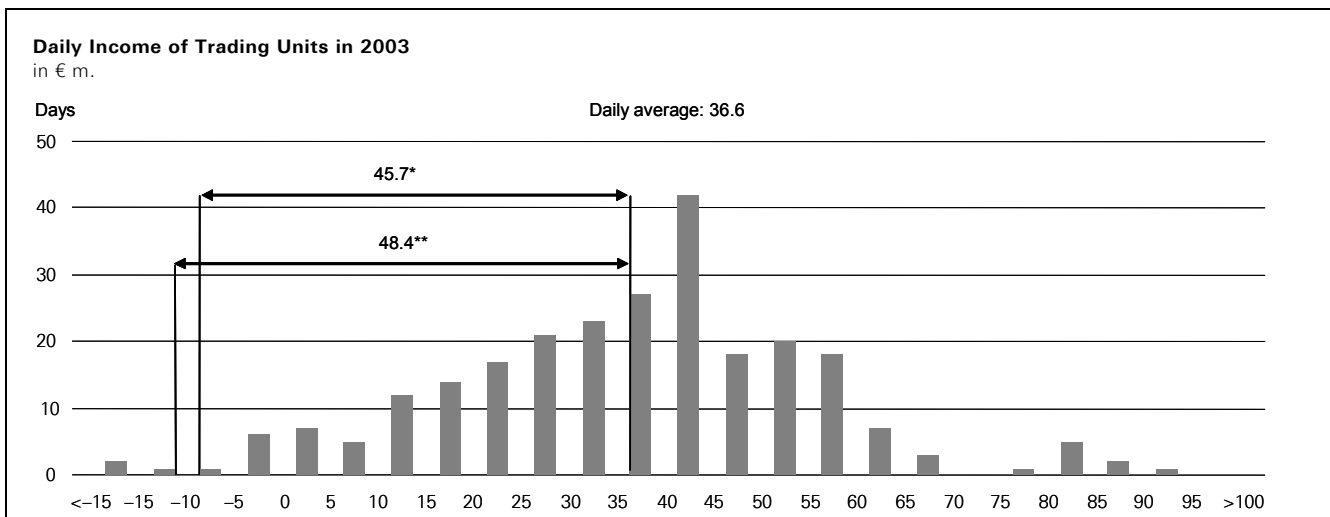
| in € m. | Total | | Diversification Effect | | Interest Rate Risk | | Equity Price Risk | | Foreign Exchange Risk | | Commodity Price Risk | |
|----------|--------------|-------|------------------------|-------|--------------------|-------|-------------------|-------|-----------------------|-------|----------------------|------|
| | 2003 | 2002 | 2003 | 2002 | 2003 | 2002 | 2003 | 2002 | 2003 | 2002 | 2003 | 2002 |
| Average | 48.44 | 42.38 | 33.48 | 30.90 | 45.86 | 35.63 | 21.94 | 24.28 | 7.71 | 8.02 | 6.41 | 5.35 |
| Maximum | 72.13 | 88.86 | 57.35 | 47.54 | 64.07 | 58.48 | 37.01 | 89.26 | 17.48 | 29.25 | 16.70 | 8.66 |
| Minimum | 32.27 | 29.36 | 21.89 | 21.17 | 27.62 | 24.67 | 12.97 | 13.43 | 3.17 | 2.64 | 3.33 | 2.28 |
| Year-end | 60.01 | 32.94 | 33.84 | 22.50 | 52.64 | 29.12 | 27.28 | 13.75 | 6.82 | 6.84 | 7.11 | 5.73 |

The following graphs show the daily aggregate value-at-risk of our trading units in 2003 and 2002, including diversification effects.



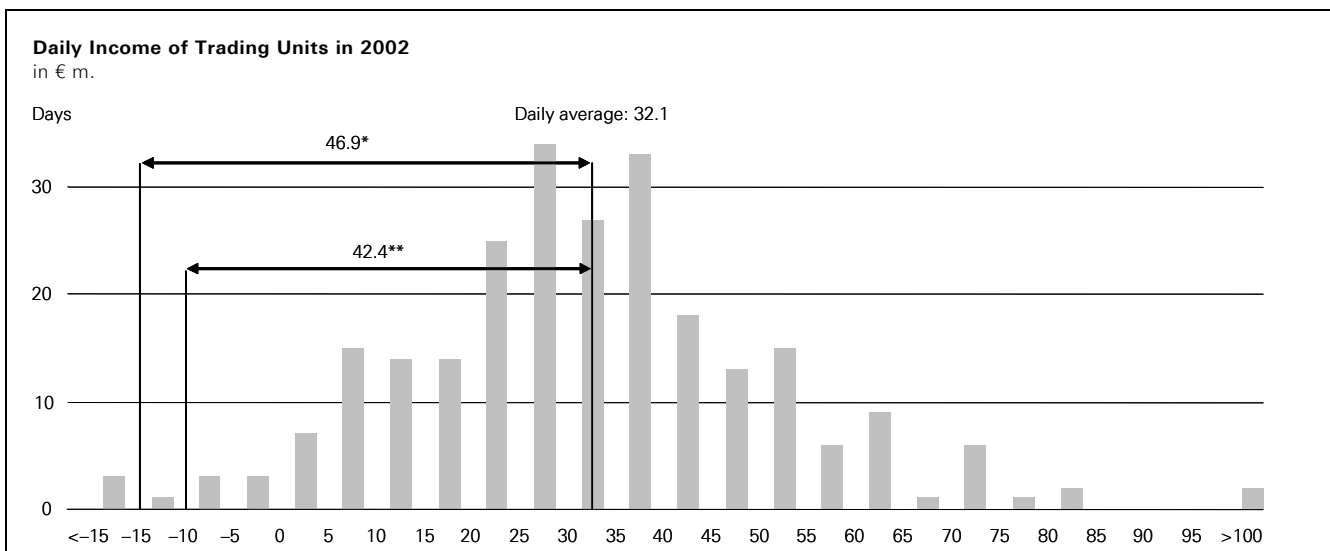
Our trading value-at-risk increased over the year from an average of € 37.3 million in the first quarter of 2003 to € 62.6 million in the fourth quarter of 2003. Having remained below € 55.0 million in the first half of the year, our trading value-at-risk rose above this level in the third quarter of 2003 as correlations changed between equity markets and interest rate markets and both Global Markets and Global Equities Business Divisions increased positions.

The following histograms show the distribution of actual daily income of our trading units in 2003 and 2002. The histograms indicate, for each year, the number of trading days on which we reached each level of trading income shown on the horizontal axis in millions of euro. The trading units achieved a positive income for over 96% of the trading days in both 2003 and 2002. On no trading day in either year did they incur an actual loss that exceeded the value-at-risk estimate for that day.



* 99th percentile of daily income distribution.

**Average value-at-risk (confidence level 99%; one-day holding period).

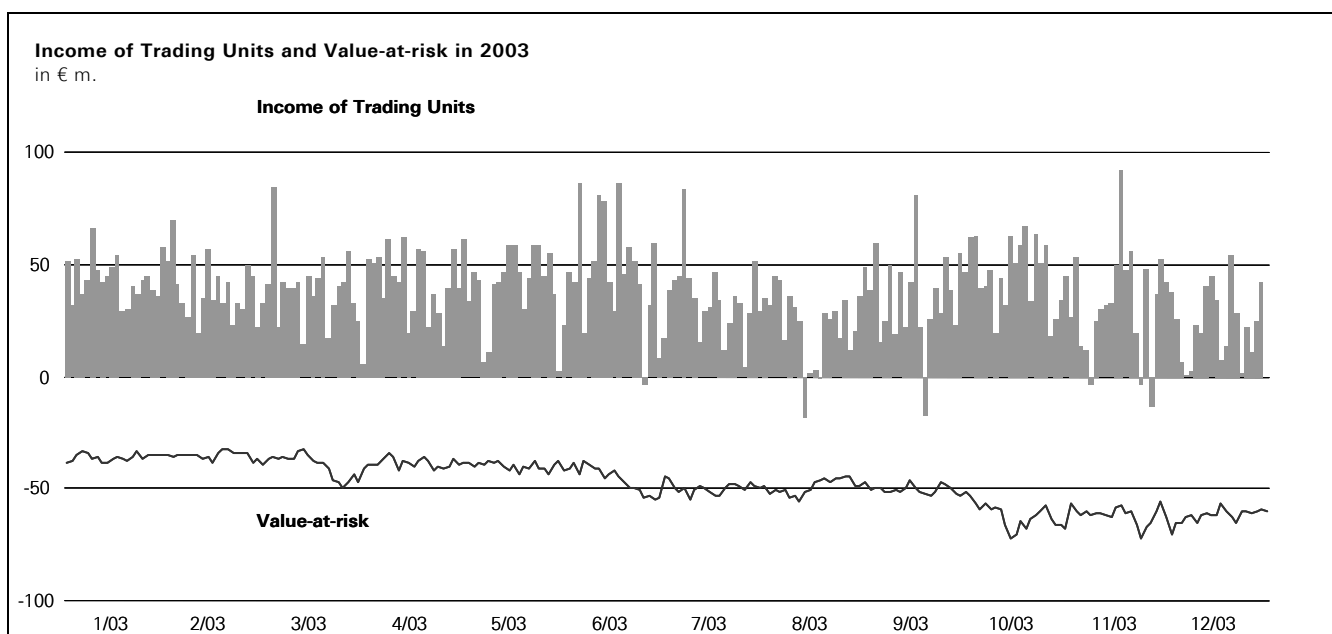


* 99th percentile of daily income distribution.

**Average value-at-risk (confidence level 99%; one-day holding period).

The comparison of the distribution of our trading units' actual daily income with the average value-at-risk enables us to ascertain the reasonableness of our value-at-risk estimate. The histogram for 2003 shows that the actual distribution of our trading units' income produces a 99th percentile of only € 45.7 million below the average daily income level of € 36.6 million, which is less than the average value-at-risk estimate of € 48.4 million.

The value-at-risk and actual incomes of the trading units throughout the year are shown in the following graph.



There was no hypothetical buy-and-hold loss that exceeded our value-at-risk estimate for the trading units as a whole in 2003 and one hypothetical loss exceeding the value-at-risk in 2002. This is below the expected two to three outliers a year that a 99% confidence level value-at-risk model ought to predict, showing that our risk estimates are slightly conservative.

Market Risk in Our Nontrading Portfolios

These risks, the biggest of which is equity price risk, constitute the largest portion of the market risks of our consolidated Group. We do not use value-at-risk as the primary metric for our nontrading portfolios because of the nature of these positions as well as the lack of transparency of some of the pricing. Instead we assess the risk of these portfolios through the use of stress testing procedures that are particular to each risk class and which consider, among other factors, large historically observed market moves as well as the liquidity of each asset class. This assessment forms the basis of economic capital estimates needed to support the portfolios using a methodology which is consistent with that used for the trading risk positions. As an example, for our industrial holdings we apply individual price shocks between 24% and 37%, which are based on historically observed market moves. In addition, we consider value reductions between 10% and 15% to reflect liquidity constraints. For private equity exposures, all our positions are stressed using our standard credit risk economic capital model as well as market price shocks that range from 28% to 96%, depending on the individual asset.

Our economic capital estimates, which reflect the sensitivity of the value of our assets to very severe stresses, enable us to apply a constant and uniform measure across all of our nontrading portfolios and thereby actively monitor and manage the risks. See also “–Risk Management Tools-Economic Capital” and “– Market Risk-Stress Testing and Economic Capital.” The vast majority of the interest rate and foreign exchange risks arising from our nontrading asset and liability positions has been transferred through internal hedges to our Global Markets Finance business line within our Corporate and Investment Bank Group Division and is managed on the basis of value-at-risk as reflected in our trading value-at-risk numbers.

There are nontrading market risks held and managed in our Corporate and Investment Bank Group Division, our Private Clients and Asset Management Group Division and our Corporate Investments Group Division. On December 31, 2003, our total economic capital usage for all corporate investments and alternative assets was € 4.9 billion, which included € 1.3 billion for private equity, € 1.3 billion for industrial holdings and € 0.6 billion for real estate investments. This compares with a total economic capital usage of € 8.3 billion at December 31, 2002. In the total economic capital figures for year-end 2003 and 2002, no diversification benefits between the different asset categories (e.g., between private equity, industrial holdings, real estate, etc.) are taken into account.

The nontrading market risks in our Corporate Investments Group Division remain by far the biggest in the Group and are mainly incurred through industrial holdings and various legacy funds and equity investments. Our Private Clients and Asset Management Group Division primarily incurs nontrading market risk through its proprietary investments in mutual funds, hedge funds and real estate, which support the client asset management businesses. In our Corporate and Investment Bank Group Division the most significant parts of the nontrading market risks arise from strategic investments, hedge funds and other investments.

The total market value of our consolidated Group's nontrading equity investments under U.S. GAAP consisted of € 7.8 billion of equity securities available for sale (including the industrial holdings, the largest of which are shown in the table below) at December 31, 2003 and € 8.0 billion at year-end 2002. In addition, other investments held at equity totaled € 6.0 billion at both December 31, 2003 and December 31, 2002 and the book value of our other investments not held at equity totaled € 2.6 billion at December 31, 2003 compared to € 4.7 billion at year-end 2002. For further information on our other investments, in particular our investments held at equity, see Note [6] to the consolidated financial statements.

The asset and liability positions of some subsidiaries, including Deutsche Bank Privat- und Geschäftskunden AG and Deutsche Bank International Limited give rise to some nontrading market risks, resulting in a small amount of interest rate risk that is not transferred to the Corporate and Investment Bank Group Division as described above, but the residual risk on the subsidiaries is a small portion of the total.

Alternative Assets Investment Activities. All of our three Group Divisions engage in alternative assets investment activities. The Corporate Investments and the Private Clients and Asset Management Group Divisions conduct investment activities in alternative assets as principals, fiduciaries and on behalf of third parties as fund managers. We define alternative assets as direct investments in private equity, venture capital, mezzanine debt, real estate principal investments, investments in leveraged buy-out funds, venture capital funds and hedge funds. We manage our investments in hedge funds as principal in the Private Clients and Asset Management Group Division and on a smaller scale, in the Corporate and Investment Bank Group Division.

Group Corporate Investments/Alternative Assets Committee. To ensure a coordinated investment strategy, a consistent risk management process and appropriate portfolio diversification, our Group Corporate Investments/Alternative Assets Committee (which a member of our Board of Managing Directors chairs), supervises all of our alternative assets investment activities. The Global Head of Group Market Risk Management is also the Chief Risk Officer for Corporate Investments and Alternative Assets and is a member of the Group Corporate Investments/Alternative Assets Committee.

The Group Corporate Investments/Alternative Assets Committee defines investment strategies, determines risk-adjusted return requirements, sets limits for investment asset classes, allocates economic capital among the various alternative assets units and approves policies, procedures and methodologies for managing alternative assets risk. The Group Corporate Investments/Alternative Assets Committee receives monthly portfolio reports showing performance, estimated market values, economic capital derived from stress tests and risk profiles of the investments. The committee also oversees the portfolio of industrial holdings and other strategic investments in entities held in our Corporate Investments Group Division. The Group Corporate Investments/Alternative Assets Committee has established dedicated investment commitment committees for each alternative asset category.

We carry private equity, venture capital and real estate investments on our balance sheet at their costs of acquisition (less write-downs, if applicable) or fair value. In certain circumstances, depending on our ownership percentage or management rights, we apply the equity method to our investments. In some situations, we consolidate investments made by the private equity business. We account for our investments in leveraged buy-out funds using the equity method and carry hedge fund investments at current market value.

As of December 31, 2003 the book value of our alternative assets investment portfolio amounted to € 4.3 billion compared with € 9.7 billion as of December 31, 2002. It consisted of € 2.0 billion of private equity investments, € 2.0 billion of real estate investments and € 0.3 billion of hedge fund investments.

The portfolio is dominated by the private equity and real estate investments, which totaled € 4.0 billion as of December 31, 2003 (at the end of 2002 the book value of our private equity and real estate investments was € 9.3 billion). They were primarily invested in Western Europe (58%) and North America (33%). In terms of industrial sectors we believe the majority of the private equity portfolio is well diversified. € 1.6 billion of the € 2.0 billion private equity investments were held in funds managed by external managers.

On December 31, 2003, our (undiversified) economic capital usage for alternative assets under the aegis of the Group Corporate Investments/Alternative Assets Committee (excluding industrial holdings) totaled € 2.0 billion compared with € 4.5 billion as of December 31, 2002.

Management of Our Mutual Funds. Our mutual fund investments after hedges (held in the Private Clients and Asset Management Group Division) amounted to € 0.3 billion at December 31, 2003 compared to € 1.1 billion as of December 31, 2002. These investments support our broad asset management fund offerings to clients and are sometimes used to seed new funds. They were invested predominantly in securities and shares of Western European issuers and across a broad mix of industries (including governments). Our economic capital usage for the risk arising from these holdings was € 34 million.

Management of Our Industrial Holdings. DB Investor is responsible for administering and restructuring our industrial holdings portfolio. However, Deutsche Bank AG holds some industrial holdings directly. DB Investor currently plans to continue selling most of its publicly listed holdings over the next few years, subject to the legal environment and market conditions.

We deem equity investments in nonbanking enterprises to be significant if their market value exceeds € 150 million. The total percentages and market values of the significant nonbank holdings directly and/or indirectly attributable to us were as follows on December 31, 2003 and on December 31, 2002.

| Dec 31, 2003 | Country of domicile | Share of capital (in %) | Market value (in € m.) |
|--------------------|---------------------|-------------------------|------------------------|
| DaimlerChrysler AG | Germany | 11.8 | 4,445 |
| Allianz AG | Germany | 2.5 | 965 |
| Linde AG | Germany | 10.0 | 509 |
| Total | | | 5,919 |

| Dec 31, 2002 | Country of domicile | Share of capital (in %) | Market value (in € m.) |
|--|---------------------|-------------------------|------------------------|
| DaimlerChrysler AG | Germany | 11.8 | 3,403 |
| Allianz AG | Germany | 3.2 | 753 |
| Linde AG | Germany | 10.0 | 401 |
| HeidelbergCement AG (previously Heidelberger Zement AG) | Germany | 8.5 | 189 |
| Total | | | 4,746 |

Liquidity Risk

Liquidity risk management has been instrumental in maintaining a healthy funding profile during a year characterized by geopolitical tensions (e.g., the Iraq crisis) and by some market participants' perceived view of a German banking crisis, the latter a particular concern to us.

Funding Matrix

We have mapped all funding relevant assets and liabilities into time buckets corresponding to their maturities to create what we call the "Funding Matrix." Given that trading assets are typically more liquid than their contractual maturities suggest, we have divided them into liquids (assigned to the time bucket one year and under) and illiquids (assigned in equal installments to time buckets two to five years). We have modeled assets and liabilities from the retail bank that show a behavior of being renewed or prolonged regardless of capital market conditions (mortgage loans and retail deposits) and assigned them to time buckets accordingly. Wholesale banking products are bucketed based on their contractual maturities. We use the expected holding period to assign corporate investments to the Funding Matrix.

The Funding Matrix shows the excess or shortfall of assets over liabilities in each time bucket and thus allows us to identify and manage open liquidity exposures. We have also developed a cumulative mismatch vector, which enables us to predict whether any excess or shortfall will grow, decline or switch over time. The Funding Matrix forms the basis for our annual capital market issuance plan, which upon approval of our Group Asset and Liability Committee establishes issuing targets for securities by tenor, volume and instrument. Funding Matrix and issuance plan form the basis to determine the liquidity spread which is one component of the internal transfer price. The funding matrix indicates that we are structurally long funded.

Short-term Liquidity

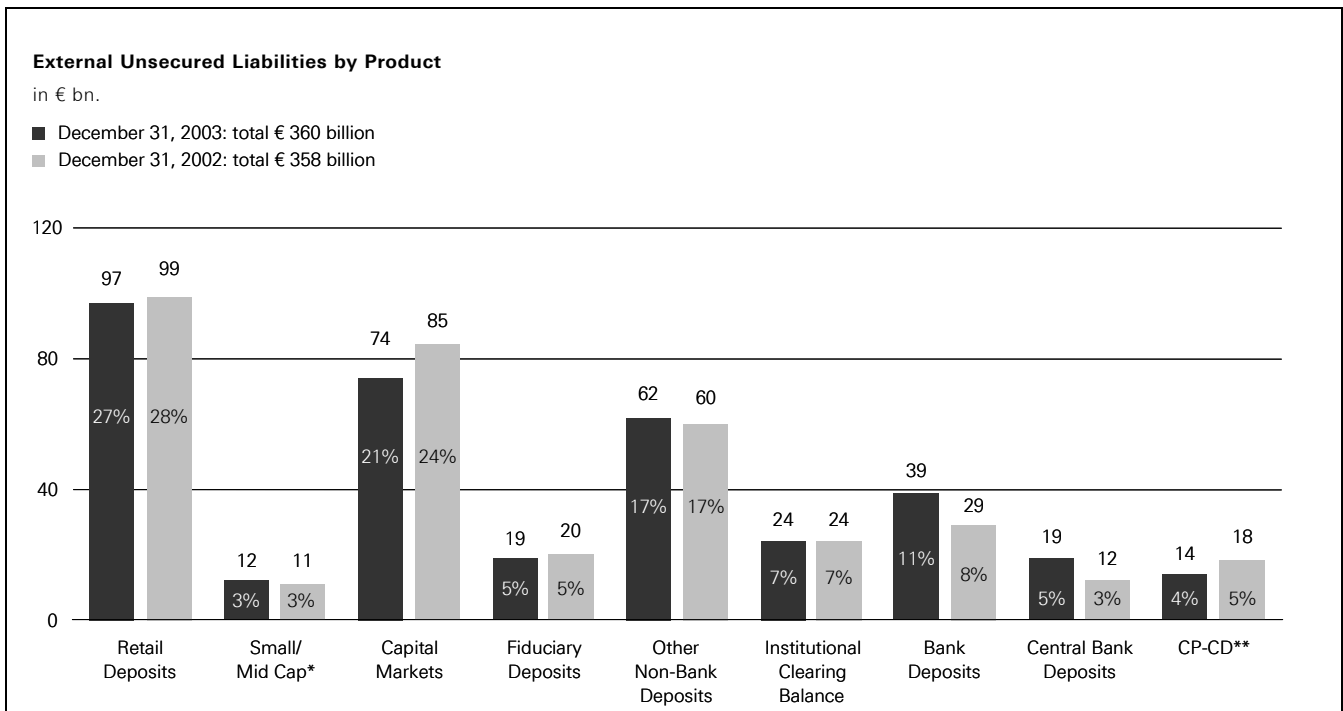
During 2003, we have extended the system that tracks net cash outflows from a horizon of eight weeks to 18 months. This system allows management to assess our short-term liquidity position in any location, region and globally on a by-currency, by-product, and by-division basis. The system captures all of our cash flows, thereby including liquidity risks resulting from off-balance sheet transactions as well as from transactions on our balance sheet. We model products that have no specific contractual maturities using statistical analysis to capture the actual behavior of their cash flows. Our Board of Managing Directors, upon the recommendations of our Group Asset and Liability Committee, has set global and regional cash outflow limits for the liquidity exposures of the first eight weeks, which we monitor on a daily basis. During February 2003, these limits were reduced by up to 20% in light of potential disruptions in the cash markets as a result of geopolitical tensions and the perceived German banking crisis. Subsequently in September, after such concerns faded, limits were marginally increased again. These limit changes come after substantial reductions of between 15% and 25% in the summer of 2002, which were reflecting changes in supply and demand assumptions in light of credit rating reviews and backtesting results, and display the active use of our liquidity risk management framework.

Unsecured Funding

Unsecured wholesale funding is a finite resource. Our Group Asset and Liability Committee has set limits to restrict utilization of unsecured wholesale funding. As with the cash outflow limits, the unsecured funding limits were adjusted during 2003 according to availability and business divisional demand.

Funding Diversification and Asset Liquidity

Diversification of our funding profile in terms of investor types, regions, products and instruments is an important part of our liquidity policy. Our core funding resources, such as retail, small/mid-cap and fiduciary deposits as well as long-term capital markets funding, form the cornerstone of our liability profile. Customer deposits, funds from institutional investors and interbank funding are additional sources of funding. We use interbank deposits primarily to fund liquid assets. The external unsecured funding numbers for 2002 have changed from last year's report because funds under 'Institutional Clearing Balances' had been previously netted against overdrafts and are now reported on a gross basis. Furthermore, the category 'Capital Markets' has been extended by structured equity products, which had previously been reported on a net basis. Additionally, we now show Commercial Papers and Certificates of Deposits with an original maturity of more than one year, as well as structured deposits, which were previously included under "Bank Deposits" and "Other Non-Bank Deposits", under "Capital Markets".



* Small/Mid Cap: refers to deposits by small and medium-sized German corporates.

**CP-CD: Commercial Paper/Certificates of Deposit.

The above chart shows the composition of our external unsecured liabilities as of December 31, 2003 both in Euro billion and as a percentage of our total unsecured liabilities. Our total external unsecured liabilities amounted to € 360 billion on that date. The liability diversification report is a management information tool we use to actively manage our liability composition and it contains all relevant external unsecured liabilities.

We track the volume and location within our consolidated inventory of unencumbered, liquid assets which we can use immediately to raise funds either in the repurchase agreement markets or by selling the assets. The securities inventory consists of a wide variety of liquid securities, which we can convert into cash even in times of market stress.

The liquidity of these assets is an important element in protecting us against short-term liquidity squeezes. By holding these liquid assets, we also protect ourselves against unexpected liquidity squeezes resulting from customers drawing large amounts under committed credit facilities. In addition, we maintained a € 32.8 billion portfolio of highly liquid securities in major currencies around the world to supply collateral for cash needs associated with clearing activities in euro, U.S. dollar and other major currencies.

Stress Testing and Scenario Analysis

We employ stress testing and scenario analysis to evaluate the impact of sudden, unforeseen events with an unfavorable impact on the bank's liquidity. The scenarios are either based on historic events (such as the stock market crash of 1987, the U.S. liquidity crunch of 1990 and the terrorist attacks of September 11, 2001) or modeled using hypothetical events. They include internal scenarios such as operational risk, merger or acquisition, credit rating downgrade by 1 and 3 notches as well as external scenarios such as market risk, Emerging Markets, systemic shock and prolonged global recession. Additionally, we evaluate the liquidity impact of a crisis in the German banking sector. Under each of these scenarios we assume that all maturing assets will need to be rolled over and require funding whereas rollover of liabilities will be partially impaired (funding gap). We then model the steps we would take to counterbalance the resulting net shortfall in funding needs such as selling assets, switching from unsecured to secured funding and adjusting the price we would pay for liabilities (gap closure). This analysis is fully integrated within the existing liquidity framework. We take our contractual cash flows as a starting point, which enables us to track the cash flows per currency and product over an eight-week horizon (the most critical time span in a liquidity crisis) and apply the relevant stress case to each product. Asset salability as described in the paragraph above complements the analysis. Our stress testing analysis provides guidance as to our ability to survive critical scenarios and would, if deficiencies were detected, cause us to make changes to our asset and liability structure. The analysis is performed monthly. The following report is illustrative for our stress testing results as of December 31, 2003. For each scenario, the table shows what our maximum funding gap would be over an eight-week horizon after occurrence of the triggering event, whether the risk to our liquidity would be immediate and whether it would improve or worsen over time and how much liquidity we believe we would have been able to generate at the time to close the gap.

| Scenario | Funding Gap ¹ in € m. | Liquidity Impact | Gap Closure ² in € m. |
|---|-------------------------------------|---|-------------------------------------|
| Market Risk | 2,946 | Gradually increasing | 95,361 |
| Emerging Markets | 11,056 | Gradually increasing | 97,065 |
| Prolonged Global Recession | 15,174 | Gradually increasing | 99,987 |
| Systemic Shock | 5,525 | Immediate, Duration 2 weeks | 95,361 |
| DB downgrade to A1/P1 (short term) and A1/A+ (long term) | 11,028 | Gradually increasing | 95,361 |
| Operational Risk | 7,098 | Immediate, Duration 2 weeks | 95,361 |
| Merger & Acquisition | 32,428 | Gradually increasing, pay-out in week 6 | 95,361 |
| DB downgrade to A2/P2 (short term) and A3/A- (long term) | 38,399 | Gradually increasing | 96,948 |

¹ Funding gap after assumed partially impaired rollover of liabilities. All assets are renewed.

² Maximum liquidity generation based on counterbalancing and asset salability opportunities.

With the increasing importance of liquidity management in the financial industry, we consider it important to contribute to financial stability by regularly addressing central banks, supervisors, rating agencies, and market participants on liquidity risk-related topics. We participate in a number of working groups regarding liquidity and will strive to assist in creating an industry standard that is appropriate to evaluate and manage liquidity risk.

In addition to our internal liquidity management systems, the liquidity exposure of German banks is regulated by the German Banking Act and regulations issued by the German Federal Financial Supervisory Authority. We are in compliance with all applicable liquidity regulations.

Operational Risk

The banking industry, in close dialog with the Basel Committee on Banking Supervision, achieved further progress in 2003 in developing the new Regulatory Operational Risk Framework, although the discussions with the regulators concerning the capital and framework guidelines have not yet ended. On the basis of the regulatory discussion we define operational risk as the potential for incurring losses in relation to employees, project management, contractual specifications and documentation, technology, infrastructure failure and disasters, external influences and customer relationships. This definition includes, among others, legal and regulatory risk.

The development of guidelines, standards, tools and methodologies to measure and protect against operational risk is a major challenge to the banking sector. This is especially true in view of the new capital adequacy regulations currently under discussion, which will come into force at the end of 2006 and which will impose a capital charge for operational risks. Moreover the regulators specify in their paper "Sound Practices for the Management and Supervision of Operational Risk" qualitative demands regarding a bank's organization and risk management as well as quantitative directives for risk identification and risk measurement. We are working towards fulfilling these future requirements.

Managing Our Operational Risk

We are implementing a framework for managing our operational risk on a global basis. A Group Operational Risk Management Policy defines roles and responsibilities for managing and reporting operational risk. Divisional standards supplement this Group policy. Responsibility for operational risk management essentially lies with our Business Divisions. We are implementing four different systems for the management of operational risks:

- We perform operational risk "self-assessments" using our db-RiskMap tool. This results in a specific operational risk profile (high risk potential) for business lines, service functions and the Corporate Center. db-SAT complements the self-assessment approach. Focus is on business efficiency and improvement of controls.
- We collect losses arising from operational risk events in our db-Incident Reporting System database.
- We capture and monitor qualitative and quantitative risk indicators in our tool db-Score for transaction processing risk and information security risk.
- We capture action points resulting from risk assessments or db-Score in db-Track. Within db-Track we will monitor the progress of the operational risk action points on an on-going basis.

These systems help to give an overview of our current operational risk profiles and to define risk management measures and priorities. We monitor the status of framework implementation in a scorecard, which forms the basis for quarterly review by the Group Operational Risk Committee. As an incentive to implement this framework, we grant certain deductions of the economic capital for operational risk to the Business Divisions. The calculation of economic capital for operational risk is based on a statistical model using internal and external loss data with certain top-down assumptions.

The Chief Operational Risk Officer with Group-wide responsibility reports directly to our Group Chief Risk Officer. He is represented on the Group Risk Committee and is Chairman of the Group Operational Risk Committee. The latter committee, whose members include the divisional Operational Risk Officers and representatives of Service Functions and Corporate Center such as Audit, Controlling, Human Resources, Legal, Tax and Compliance, develops and implements our internal guidelines for managing operational risk. The Chief Operational Risk Officer is head of our Operational Risk Management, with responsibility to roll-out the Operational Risk framework, i.e. policy, tools, reporting. The Operational Risk Management functions of the Corporate Divisions are part of our independent Operational Risk Management function and report to the Chief Operational Risk Officer.

We seek to minimize operational risk associated with our communication, information and settlement systems through the development of back-up systems and emergency plans. We engage in regular employee training, operating instructions and inspections to help limit operational defects or mistakes. Where appropriate, we purchase insurance against operational risks.

Overall Risk Position

The table below shows the overall risk position of the Group as measured by the economic capital calculated for credit, market, business and operational risk; it does not include liquidity risk or the risk of our insurance companies. To determine our overall (nonregulatory) risk position, we aggregate the individual economic capital calculated for the various types of risk. This aggregation assumes that all the risk types are 100% correlated, i.e. it does not consider any diversification across risk types.

On December 31, 2003, our economic capital usage totaled € 16.7 billion, which is € 5.8 billion or 26% below the € 22.4 billion economic capital usage as of December 31, 2002. The following table shows the year-end 2003 allocation of total economic capital among the risk types compared to the allocation at year-end 2002.

| Economic Capital Usage in € m. | Dec 31, 2003 | Dec 31, 2002 |
|-------------------------------------|---------------|---------------|
| Credit Risk | 7,363 | 8,942 |
| Market Risk | 5,912 | 9,057 |
| Trading Market Risk ¹ | 972 | 765 |
| Nontrading Market Risk ² | 4,940 | 8,292 |
| Business Risk | 1,117 | 1,978 |
| Operational Risk | 2,282 | 2,449 |
| Total Economic Capital Usage | 16,674 | 22,426 |

¹ Trading market risk as shown in this table has been calculated using a refined aggregation process which we implemented in 2003, in order to better reflect correlations among market risk factors in stressed market conditions. Consequently, we have restated our trading market risk economic capital for December 31, 2002, which was previously reported as € 0.9 billion.

² Nontrading market risk economic capital includes the risk related to our industrial holdings. For year-end 2002, an amount of € 2.0 billion has been included in the table, compared to € 1.3 billion for the year-end 2003.

The reduction in credit risk economic capital primarily reflects the overall reduction in our lending-related credit exposures as well as the improved credit quality of our loan book. The reduction in market risk economic capital is mainly caused by decreases in risk from alternative assets investments, principally private equity and real estate investments, as well as lower risk from industrial holdings. The reduction in business risk economic capital reflects an improved market outlook and our increasing ability to adjust costs in a market downturn.

The allocation of economic capital may change from time to time to reflect refinements in our risk measurement methodology. In 2004, we plan to regularly calculate the diversification effects on economic capital across the credit and market risk categories. We estimate the diversification benefit across these categories as € 1.2 billion as of December 31, 2003, but this effect is not reflected in the table above. The diversification benefit across all risk types has not yet been calculated.

Statement by the Board of Managing Directors

The Board of Managing Directors of Deutsche Bank AG is responsible for the Consolidated Financial Statements. They have been prepared in accordance with the U.S. Generally Accepted Accounting Principles and thus fulfill the conditions of § 292a German Commercial Code for exemption from preparation of consolidated financial statements in accordance with German commercial law. In addition, the disclosure requirements of the European Union are satisfied.

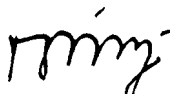
The responsibility for correct accounting requires an efficient internal management and control system and a functioning audit apparatus. Deutsche Bank's internal control system is based on written communication of policies and procedures governing structural and procedural organization, enlarged risk controlling for default and market risks as well as the segregation of duties. It covers all business transactions, assets and records. Deutsche Bank's audit is carried out in accordance with the extensive audit plans covering all divisions of the Group and also including compliance with the organizational terms of reference.

KPMG Deutsche Treuhand-Gesellschaft Aktiengesellschaft Wirtschaftsprüfungsgesellschaft audited the Consolidated Financial Statements in accordance with German auditing regulations, and in supplementary compliance with United States Generally Accepted Auditing Standards and issued an unqualified opinion. KPMG Deutsche Treuhand-Gesellschaft and the Audit Department of Deutsche Bank had free access to all documents needed in the course of their audits for an evaluation of the Consolidated Financial Statements and for an assessment of the appropriateness of the internal control system.

Frankfurt am Main, March 2, 2004
Deutsche Bank AG



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Independent Auditors' Report

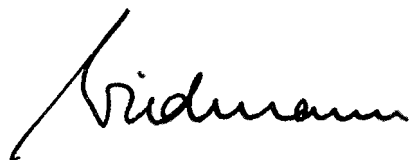
We have audited the consolidated financial statements, comprising the balance sheet, the income statement, the statement of comprehensive income and the statements of changes in shareholders' equity and cash flows as well as the notes to the financial statements prepared by Deutsche Bank AG for the business year from January 1, 2003 to December 31, 2003. The preparation and the content of the consolidated financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America are the responsibility of the Company's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these consolidated financial statements based on our audit.

We conducted our audit of the consolidated financial statements in accordance with German auditing regulations and German generally accepted standards for the audit of financial statements promulgated by the Institut der Wirtschaftsprüfer (German Institute of Auditors), and in supplementary compliance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit such that it can be assessed with reasonable assurance whether the consolidated financial statements are free of material misstatements. The evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the consolidated financial statements is examined on a test basis within the framework of the audit. The audit includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the consolidated financial statements. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, the consolidated financial statements give a true and fair view of the net assets, financial position, results of operations and cash flows of the Group for the business year in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Our audit, which also extends to the structured presentation of additional disclosures with regard to the Group's position required by Article 36 of the 7th EU Directive prepared by the Company's management for the business year from January 1, 2003 to December 31, 2003, has not led to any reservations. In our opinion on the whole the structured presentation, together with the other disclosures in the consolidated financial statements, provides a suitable understanding of the Group's position and suitably presents the risks of future development. In addition, we confirm that the consolidated financial statements and the structured presentation of additional disclosures with regard to the Group's position for the business year from January 1, 2003 to December 31, 2003 satisfy the conditions required for the Company's exemption from its duty to prepare consolidated financial statements and the group management report in accordance with German law.

Frankfurt am Main, March 9, 2004
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Report of the Supervisory Board

At the five meetings of the Supervisory Board last year, we were comprehensively informed of the development of the bank's business and strategy as well as of current events and transactions of fundamental importance. We advised the Board of Managing Directors and monitored the management of business. The Board of Managing Directors informed us regularly, without delay and comprehensively, and presented all matters that required the Supervisory Board's decision. Between the meetings, the Board of Managing Directors kept us informed in writing on important operations. Furthermore, members of the Group Executive Committee reported on the developments in their business divisions at the meetings of the Supervisory Board.

The Board of Managing Directors regularly reported on business policies and other fundamental issues relating to management, corporate planning, strategy, the bank's financial development and earnings situation, the bank's risk management as well as transactions that were of significant importance to the bank. Current topics and decisions were also dealt with individually in regular discussions between the Spokesman of the Board of Managing Directors and the Chairman of the Supervisory Board. Furthermore, we have received regular reports on the trial proceedings in the Mannesmann case and on the status of the proceedings of Dr. Kirch against the bank and Dr. Breuer.

Following phase one of the bank's realignment through the successful implementation of its four strategic initiatives (focus on current earnings, focus on core businesses, improvement of capital and balance sheet management, optimization of PCAM Group Division), extensive discussions were held, in particular, on revenues growth by establishing the bank as a globally leading brand name, improving CIB's leading position, securing PCAM's profitable growth and maintaining our strategy of strict cost, capital and risk discipline. All efforts are aimed at the target of increasing the bank's operating revenues. Problem loans and provisions for credit losses were and will be reduced further.

Meetings of the Supervisory Board. At the first meeting of the year on February 6, 2003, we discussed the development of business in 2002, the key figures of the Annual Financial Statements for 2002 and the plan for the years 2003 to 2005. In addition, we discussed the human resources report, and the sale of a portion of the bank's private equity portfolio was discussed and approved.

At the following meeting on March 21, 2003, we approved the Annual Financial Statements for 2002, which were thus established. Furthermore, discussions were held on the corporate governance report and the compliance report, the resolution proposals for the agenda of the General Meeting 2003 were approved, and we discussed the Group's risk management.

At the constitutive meeting of the Supervisory Board directly following the General Meeting on June 10, 2003, Dr. Breuer was reelected Chairman and Ms. Förster Deputy Chairperson of the Supervisory Board. Dr. Breuer thus also became Chairman of the Chairman's Committee, the Credit and Market Risk Committee and the Mediation Committee as well as member of the Audit Committee. As a result of this election, Ms. Förster became member of the Chairman's Committee, Audit Committee and Mediation Committee. Furthermore, Dr. Cartellieri and Mr. Kaufmann were elected members of the Chairman's Committee, Dr. Cartellieri and Dr. Baumann members of the Credit and Market Risk Committee, and Sir Peter Job and Mr. Hartmann substitute members of the Credit and Market Risk Committee. Also at this meeting, Dr. Baumann was elected Chairman and Dr. Cartellieri, Ms. Horn and Mr. Hunk were elected members of the Audit Committee.

On July 30, 2003, we arranged to receive information on the development of business in the first half of 2003. The Board of Managing Directors also informed us about the strategic realignment of the bank and the pending sale of a portfolio of approximately 50 Deutsche Bank properties in Germany and Europe, which was approved by the Supervisory Board in September through written circulation procedure. The member of the Group Executive Committee responsible for the Asset Management Business Division, Tom Hughes, reported on the current developments in his business division.

At the Supervisory Board's last meeting of the year on October 29, 2003, the development of business in the first nine months was discussed. Furthermore, we extended the appointment of Mr. Lamberti as member of the Board of Managing Directors for another five years until September 30, 2009. The member of the Group Executive Committee responsible for the Private & Business Clients Corporate Division, Rainer Neske, reported on the current developments in his corporate division. In addition, the bank's human resources report on staff development and succession planning was discussed and the resolution was taken to increase the bank's share capital as required in connection with the issue of staff shares and option rights. Reports were also given on the pending legal disputes in connection with the General Meeting. Afterwards, a meeting took place without the Board of Managing Directors. All members of the Supervisory Board participated in at least half of the Supervisory Board meetings during their period of office in the year 2003.

Corporate Governance. We discussed the implementation of the requirements of the German Corporate Governance Code and the American Sarbanes-Oxley Act at several of the meetings of the Supervisory Board and of the Chairman's Committee and Audit Committee. These discussions led to a series of changes in the Terms of Reference for the Supervisory Board and its committees. In July, the consultant commissioned by the Supervisory Board presented the results of the appraisal of the efficiency of the activities of the Supervisory Board, which we discussed at length. As a result, several of the initial recommendations have already been implemented. The Declaration of Conformity pursuant to §161 of the German Stock Corporation Act, which the Supervisory Board and Board of Managing Directors issued for the first time in October 2002, was adjusted in July 2003 in accordance with the resolutions of the General Meeting concerning Supervisory Board compensation. In October 2003, the declaration was revised and adjusted to the new version of the German Corporate Governance Code issued on May 21, 2003. Since the bank's Corporate Governance Principles matched the recommendations of the German Corporate Governance Code with only one exception relating to the directors and officers' liability insurance policy, a decision was taken to repeal the bank's own set of principles.

Together with the Board of Managing Directors we agreed on a procedure, as required by the Sarbanes-Oxley Act, for the receipt of complaints regarding accounting.

A comprehensive presentation of the bank's corporate governance, including the text of the Declaration of Conformity issued on October 29, 2003, can be found on the following pages and on our website in the Internet at www.deutsche-bank.com.

The Committees of the Supervisory Board. The Chairman's Committee met four times during the reporting period. At its meetings, the Committee handled not only issues relating to the Board of Managing Directors, but also those concerning the appraisal of the efficiency of the Supervisory Board, the amendment of the remuneration of the Supervisory Board, the bank's Corporate Governance Principles, succession planning for the Board of Managing Directors and the process of selecting new Supervisory Board members.

At its six meetings, the Credit and Market Risk Committee discussed exposures subject to mandatory approval under German law and the Articles of Association and all major loans and loans entailing increased risks. Where necessary, the Committee gave its approval. Apart from credit, liquidity, country and market risks, the Committee also discussed legal and reputational risks extensively. Furthermore, global industry portfolios were presented according to a specified plan and discussed at length.

The Audit Committee met five times in 2003. Representatives of the bank's auditor also attended its meetings. Subjects covered were the audit and approval of the Annual Financial Statements and Consolidated Financial Statements, the Form 20-F for the SEC in the USA, the quarterly financial statements, relations with the auditor, the proposal for the election of the auditor for the business year 2003, the auditor's remuneration and the audit mandate, including certain focal points for the audit as well as the control of the auditor's independence. As in the

year 2002, the Committee extensively discussed the effects of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act on the Audit Committee's working procedures. Between the regularly scheduled meetings, reports on the regulatory requirements, especially on those in New York, were presented by video conference. The Audit Committee had reports submitted to it regularly on the work of Internal Audit as well as on legal and reputational risks and was able to convince itself that the auditor had no conflicts of interest.

Meetings of the Mediation Committee, established pursuant to the regulations of the Co-Determination Act, were not necessary in 2003.

The Supervisory Board received regular reports on the work of its committees.

Conflicts of Interest and their Handling. Dr. Breuer did not participate in approving the resolution by the Chairman's Committee on the compensation of the members of the Board of Managing Directors for the year 2002, as this involved his own proportional compensation for that year.

As a party involved, Dr. Breuer did not participate in the discussion and approval of the resolution by the Chairman's Committee and the Supervisory Board, in accordance with the resolution of the Board of Managing Directors, that the investigative proceedings against members and former members of the Board of Managing Directors and bank's staff members due to allegations of aiding and abetting tax evasion be discontinued in exchange for payment of an association fine and an administrative fine as well as the assumption of the costs of the proceedings.

The Credit and Market Risk Committee dealt with the loan approvals required pursuant to § 15 of the German Banking Act. Supervisory Board members, who were also members of the supervisory board of the borrowing company when the resolutions were taken, did not participate in this.

The Supervisory Board was kept informed regularly on Dr. Kirch's lawsuit against Deutsche Bank and Dr. Breuer and discussed courses of action. The Chairman's Committee resolved, without Dr. Breuer participating in the voting, to approve the resolution of the Board of Managing Directors that the costs of the trial, including those caused by the trial against Dr. Breuer, will be covered by the bank. Furthermore, the Supervisory Board also resolved, without Dr. Breuer participating in the voting, to commission an external attorney to advise the Supervisory Board in all matters of relevance for the Supervisory Board arising from this trial.

Annual Financial Statements. Representatives of the bank's auditor attended the Financial Statements Meetings of the Supervisory Board and commented on questions raised. KPMG Deutsche Treuhand-Gesellschaft Aktiengesellschaft Wirtschaftsprüfungsgesellschaft, Frankfurt am Main, the auditor of the Annual Financial Statements elected at last year's General Meeting, has audited the accounting, the Annual Financial Statements for 2003 and the Management Report as well as the Consolidated Financial Statements with Notes, and issued an unqualified opinion. After inspecting the reports of the auditor of the Annual Financial Statements, we agreed with the results of this audit.

Today, we established the Annual Financial Statements prepared by the Board of Managing Directors and agreed to the Consolidated Financial Statements. We agree with the proposal for the appropriation of profits and with the payment of a dividend of € 1.50 per no par value share entitled to dividend payment.

Personnel Issues. There were no personnel changes on the Board of Managing Directors during the reporting period.

The period of office of the members of the Supervisory Board ended with the close of the General Meeting on June 10, 2003. Adolf Kracht and Professor Dr.-Ing. E. h. Berthold Leibinger, representatives of the shareholders, and Gerald Herrmann, Peter Kazmierczak, Klaus Schwedler, Michael Freiherr Truchseß von Wetzhausen and Lothar Wacker, representatives of the employees, left the Supervisory Board. The General Meeting 2003 reelected Dr. rer. oec. Karl-Hermann Baumann, Dr. Rolf-E. Breuer, Dr. Ulrich Cartellieri, Sir Peter Job, Professor Dr. Henning

Kagermann, Dr. Michael Otto, Tilman Todenhöfer and Dipl.-Ing. Albrecht Woeste for a period of office of around five years. Ulrich Hartmann and Dipl.-Ing. Dr.-Ing. E.h. Jürgen Weber were elected by the General Meeting as new members of the Supervisory Board, also for a five-year period of office.

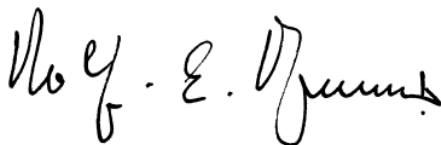
Sabine Horn, Margret Mönig-Raane, Klaus Funk and Ulrich Kaufmann were confirmed as representatives of the employees on the Supervisory Board at the meeting of the electoral delegates on May 8, 2003. Henriette Mark, Gabriele Platscher, Karin Ruck, Rolf Hunck and Leo Wunderlich were elected for the first time.

We thank all of the members who left the Supervisory Board for their dedication and constructive assistance to the company and the Board of Managing Directors during the preceding year. We are convinced the new Supervisory Board will continue the tradition of this management body's successful work.

The Supervisory Board thanks the Board of Managing Directors and the bank's employees for their great personal dedication.

Frankfurt am Main, March 19, 2004

The Supervisory Board

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Rolf-E. Breuer', written in a cursive style.

Dr. Rolf-E. Breuer
Chairman

Corporate Governance Report

Board of Managing Directors and Supervisory Board

Board of Managing Directors

The Board of Managing Directors is responsible for managing the company. Its members are jointly accountable for the management of the company. The duties, responsibilities and procedures of our Board of Managing Directors and the committees installed by the Board are specified in its Terms of Reference, which are available on our Internet website (www.deutsche-bank.com/corporate-governance).

The following paragraphs show information on the current members of the Board of Managing Directors. The information includes their ages as of December 31, 2003, the year in which they were appointed and the year in which their term expires, their current positions or area of responsibility, and their principal business activities outside our company.

To assist us in avoiding conflicts of interest, the members of our Board of Managing Directors have generally undertaken not to assume chairmanships of supervisory boards of companies outside our consolidated group.

Dr. Josef Ackermann

Age: 55

First Appointed: 1996

Term Expires: 2006

Dr. Josef Ackermann joined Deutsche Bank as a member of the Board of Managing Directors in 1996. On May 22, 2002, Dr. Ackermann assumed his current position as Spokesman of the Board of Managing Directors and Chairman of our Group Executive Committee.

Dr. Ackermann engages in the following principal business activities outside our company: He is a supervisory board member at Bayer AG, Deutsche Lufthansa AG (since June 18, 2003), Linde AG and Siemens AG (since January 23, 2003) and was a non-executive member of the board of directors at Stora Enso Oyi until March 20, 2003.

In February 2003, the Düsseldorf Public Prosecutor filed charges against Dr. Ackermann and other former members of the Supervisory Board and of the Board of Managing Directors of Mannesmann AG with the Düsseldorf District Court (Landgericht Düsseldorf). The complaint alleges a breach of trust in connection with payments to former members of the Board of Managing Directors and other managers of Mannesmann following the takeover of Mannesmann by Vodafone in spring 2000. On September 19, 2003, the District Court in Düsseldorf accepted the case and ordered a trial. The trial commenced on January 21, 2004. Our Supervisory Board has declared that it supports Dr. Ackermann's defense and that it views the charges in question as unjustified.

Dr. Clemens Börsig

Age: 55

First Appointed: 2001

Term Expires: 2005

Dr. Clemens Börsig joined our Board of Managing Directors in January 2001. He has worked with us since 1999, when he joined us as our Chief Financial Officer. He is also our Chief Risk Officer and responsible for our corporate governance.

Dr. Börsig engages in the following principal business activities outside our company: He is a supervisory board member at Heidelberger Druckmaschinen AG and was a supervisory board member of Gerling-Konzern Versicherungs-Beteiligungs-AG until June 11, 2003. He also holds a nonexecutive directorship at Foreign & Colonial Eurotrust Plc.

Dr. Tessen von Heydebreck

Age: 58

First Appointed: 1994

Term Expires: 2006

Dr. Tessen von Heydebreck joined our Board of Managing Directors in 1994. From 1994 to 1996, he was a deputy member of the Board of Managing Directors. Dr. von Heydebreck is our Chief Administrative Officer.

Dr. von Heydebreck engages in the following principal business activities outside our company: He is a supervisory board member at BASF AG, Duerr AG, Deutsche Euroshop AG, Gruner + Jahr AG & Co., and BVV Versicherungsverein des Bankgewerbes a.G. He holds a nonexecutive directorship at EFG Eurobank Ergasias S.A.

Hermann-Josef Lamberti

Age: 47

First Appointed: 1999

Term Expires: 2009

Hermann-Josef Lamberti joined our Board of Managing Directors in 1999. He joined us in 1998 as an executive vice president. Mr. Lamberti is our Chief Operating Officer.

Mr. Lamberti engages in the following principal business activities outside our company: He is a member of the supervisory board or similar bodies of Schering AG, Fiat S.p.A., Carl-Zeiss-Stiftung, e-millennium 1 GmbH & Co. KG (chairperson), Euroclear plc and Euroclear Bank S.A.

Group Executive Committee and Functional Committees

The Group Executive Committee, established in 2002, is a body that is not based on the Stock Corporation Act and serves as a tool to coordinate the heads of our groupwide business divisions with the Board of Managing Directors. It comprises the members of the Board of Managing Directors and the Global Business Heads of our Group Divisions. Through the establishment of the Group Executive Committee, we have integrated our Global Business Heads more closely into the management of our consolidated group. At the same time, we have precisely allocated functional responsibilities to preserve a clear delineation between strategic management on the one hand, and operational management on the other hand.

The responsibilities of the Group Executive Committee are as follows:

- Provide on-going information to the Board of Managing Directors on business developments and particular transactions;
- Regular review of our business segments;
- Consultation with and furnishing advice to the Board of Managing Directors on strategic decisions; and
- Preparation of decisions to be made by the Board of Managing Directors.

The following functional committees assist the Board of Managing Directors in executing cross-divisional strategic management, resource allocation, control and risk management:

- The **Group Finance Committee** is responsible for the Group's overall financial management and financial controls, including assuring accurate and consistent accounting and reporting practices and the design and operation of effective internal controls. Dr. Clemens Börsig is Chairman of the Committee.
- The **Group Investment Committee** is responsible for evaluating investment decisions and monitoring acquisitions, joint ventures, divestitures, and restructuring projects. The Chairman of the Group Investment Committee is Dr. Clemens Börsig.
- The **Group Risk Committee** is responsible for planning, management and control of risks, especially credit, market and operational risks across our consolidated group. The Chairman of the Group Risk Committee is Dr. Clemens Börsig.
- The **Group Asset/Liability Committee** is responsible for coordinating allocation of financial resources to the operational Group Divisions across our consolidated group. The Chairman of the Group Asset/Liability Committee is Dr. Josef Ackermann.
- The **Group Corporate Investments/Alternative Assets Committee** is responsible for the overall supervision of all Corporate Investments/Alternative Asset activities. The Committee defines investment strategies, determines risk-adjusted return requirements, sets limits for investment asset classes and allocates economic capital among the various alternative asset units. The Chairman of the Group Corporate Investments/Alternative Assets Committee is Dr. Josef Ackermann.
- The **Group IT & Operations Committee** is responsible for preparing strategic and operational decisions for approval by the Board of Managing Directors and takes other decisions as delegated with respect to cost containment and optimization of infrastructure/support functions including spending on vendors, premises, IT equipment and application development and operations, controlling and human resource functions. The Chairman of the Group IT & Operations Committee is Hermann-Josef Lamberti.
- The **Group Human Resources Committee** is responsible for determination and control of guidelines and standards in Human Resources (especially for staff recruitment, development, deployment, compensation and benefits, administration and severance) across our consolidated group. The Chairman of the Group Human Resources Committee is Dr. Tessen von Heydebreck.
- The **Group Compliance Committee** is responsible for ongoing development and implementation of Legal, Compliance and Internal Audit principles and standards. The Chairman of the Group Compliance Committee is Dr. Tessen von Heydebreck.

Supervisory Board

The Supervisory Board appoints, supervises and advises the Board of Managing Directors and is directly involved in decisions of fundamental importance to the bank. The Chairman of the Supervisory Board coordinates work within the Supervisory Board. The duties, procedures and committees of our Supervisory Board are specified in its Terms of Reference, which are available on our Internet website (www.deutsche-bank.com/corporate-governance).

The members representing our shareholders were elected at the Annual Shareholders' Meeting on June 10, 2003, and the members representing our employees were elected on May 8, 2003. The following table shows information on the current members of our Supervisory Board. The information includes their ages as of December 31, 2003, the years in which they were first elected or appointed, the years when their terms expire, their principal occupation and their membership on other companies' supervisory boards, other nonexecutive boards and other positions.

| Member | Supervisory Board position with us and other principal occupation, if any | Areas of experience and other supervisory board memberships and other directorships |
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| Dr. rer. oec. Karl-Hermann Baumann Age: 68 First elected: 1998 Term expires: 2008 | Member of the Supervisory Board; Chairman of the supervisory board of Siemens AG, Munich | Supervisory board memberships E.ON AG; Wilhelm von Finck AG; Linde AG; Schering AG; ThyssenKrupp AG Other experience Siemens AG (member of the board of managing directors), 1987–1998; Bayerische Handelsbank AG (member of the supervisory board), 1991–1998 |
| Dr. Rolf-E. Breuer Age: 66 First elected: 2002 Term expires: 2008 | Chairman of the Supervisory Board | Supervisory board memberships Bertelsmann AG; Deutsche Börse AG (chairman); E.ON AG; Deutsche Lufthansa AG (member of the supervisory board until June 18, 2003); Siemens AG (deputy chairman of the supervisory board until January 23, 2003); Compagnie de Saint-Gobain S.A.; Kreditanstalt für Wiederaufbau (KfW); Landwirtschaftliche Rentenbank Other experience Spokesman of the Board of Managing Directors Deutsche Bank AG until 2002; President of the Association of German Banks; German Financial Supervisory Authority (Administrative Council); International Advisory Board of MMC; CESR (member of the Market Participants Consultative Panel); International Advisory Board of Coca-Cola |
| Dr. Ulrich Cartellieri Age: 66 First elected: 1997 Term expires: 2008 | Member of the Supervisory Board | Supervisory board memberships Robert Bosch GmbH; Henkel KGaA (until April 14, 2003) Other nonexecutive directorships BAE SYSTEMS plc; Federal Reserve Bank of New York (member of the international advisory committee); GEMS Oriental & General Fund (member of the advisory council) Other experience Several positions with us 1970–1997, including member of our Board of Managing Directors; DEG-Deutsche Investitions- und Entwicklungsgesellschaft mbH (deputy chairman of the supervisory board), 1998–2001; Karstadt AG (chairman of the supervisory board), 1988–1997; Ruhrgas AG (member of the advisory board), 1991–1998; Siemens AG (deputy chairman of the supervisory board), 1990–1998; Solvay Deutschland GmbH (chairman of the supervisory board), 1990–1997; Thyssen AG (member of the supervisory board), 1986–1997 |
| Heidrun Förster Age: 56 First elected: 1993 Term expires: 2008 | Deputy Chairperson and employee-elected member of the Supervisory Board; Chairperson of the works council of Deutsche Bank Privat- und Geschäftskunden AG, Berlin | Other positions Works council of Deutsche Bank AG, (chairperson), 1990–2001; employee of Deutsche Bank AG since 1975 |
| Klaus Funk Age: 56 First elected: 1999 Term expires: 2008 | Employee-elected member of the Supervisory Board; Chairman of the works council of Deutsche Bank Privat- und Geschäftskunden AG, Frankfurt am Main | Other experience Betriebskrankenkasse der Deutsche Bank AG (member of the advisory board); employee of Deutsche Bank AG since 1963 |

| Member | Supervisory Board position with us and other principal occupation, if any | Areas of experience and other supervisory board memberships and other directorships |
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| Ulrich Hartmann Age: 65 First elected: 2003 Term expires: 2008 | Member of the Supervisory Board; Chairman of the Supervisory Board of E.ON AG, Düsseldorf | Supervisory board memberships Deutsche Lufthansa AG, Hochtief AG; IKB Deutsche Industriebank AG (chairman); Münchener Rückversicherungs-Gesellschaft Aktiengesellschaft (chairman); Other nonexecutive directorships ARCELOR; Henkel KGaA (member of the shareholders' committee) |
| Sabine Horn Age: 42 First elected: 1998 Term expires: 2008 | Employee-elected member of the Supervisory Board; Trainee DB Beschäftigungs mosaik | Other positions Employee of Deutsche Bank AG since 1984 |
| Rolf Hunck Age: 58 First elected: 2003 Term expires: 2008 | Employee-elected member of the Supervisory Board | Supervisory board memberships Deutsche Bank Trust AG; Fibula Finanz AG Other experience Hanseatische Wertpapierbörse AG (vice president, member of the exchange council and of the admissions committee) Other positions Employee of Deutsche Bank AG since 1963 |
| Sir Peter Job Age: 62 Appointed by the court: 2001 Term expires: 2008 | Member of the Supervisory Board | Supervisory board memberships Bertelsmann AG Nonexecutive directorships Grand Metropolitan Plc, 1994–1997; Diageo Plc, 1997–1999; Glaxo Wellcome Plc, 1997–2001; GlaxoSmithKline Plc (GSK); Schroders Plc; Tibco Software Inc.; Instinet Inc.; Multex.com Inc. (until February 2003); Shell Transport and Trading Plc Other experience Sub-editor and correspondent for Reuters, 1963–1971; Reuters Group Plc (member of the board of directors), 1989–2001; NASDAQ (chairman of the international advisory council); member of the advisory board of Reuters Venture Capital |
| Prof. Dr. Henning Kagermann Age: 56 First elected: 2000 Term expires: 2008 | Member of the Supervisory Board; chairman and CEO of SAP AG, Walldorf | Supervisory board memberships DaimlerChrysler Services AG; Münchener Rückversicherungs-Gesellschaft Aktiengesellschaft |
| Ulrich Kaufmann Age: 57 First elected: 1988 Term expires: 2008 | Employee-elected member of the Supervisory Board; Chairman of the works council of Deutsche Bank AG, Düsseldorf | Other positions Employee of Deutsche Bank AG since 1967; Deutscher Bankangestellten-Verband; Betriebskrankenkasse der Deutsche Bank AG (member of the advisory board) |
| Henriette Mark Age: 46 First elected: 2003 Term expires: 2008 | Employee-elected member of the Supervisory Board | Other positions Employee of Deutsche Bank AG since 1979 |
| Margret Mönig-Raane Age: 55 First elected: 1996 Term expires: 2008 | Employee-elected member of the Supervisory Board; Vice President of the Unified Services Union (ver.di Vereinigte Dienstleistungsgewerkschaft), Berlin | Other nonexecutive directorships BHW (member of the advisory board); Kreditanstalt für Wiederaufbau (member of the administrative council) since January 2004 |

| Member | Supervisory Board position with us and other principal occupation, if any | Areas of experience and other supervisory board memberships and other directorships |
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| Dr. Michael Otto Age: 60 First elected: 1989 Term expires: 2008 | Member of the Supervisory Board; chairperson of the board of managing directors of Otto (GmbH & Co KG) and OTTO AG für Beteiligungen, Hamburg | Supervisory board memberships Gerling-Konzern Versicherungs-Beteiligungs-AG; SCHWAB VERSAND GmbH (chairman); Axel Springer Verlag AG Other nonexecutive directorships 3 Suisses International S.A. (member of the advisory board); Baur Versand GmbH (chairman of the advisory board); Crate & Barrel Holding Inc. (chairman of the board); FORUM Grundstücksgesellschaft mbH (member of the advisory board); Freemans Plc (chairman of the board); Grattan Plc (chairman of the board); Handelsgesellschaft Heinrich Heine GmbH (chairman of the advisory board); Otto-Sumisho Inc. (chairman of the advisory board); Spiegel Inc. (chairman of the board); Euromarket Designs, Inc. (chairman of the board) |
| Gabriele Platscher Age: 46 First elected: 2003 Term expires: 2008 | Employee-elected member of the Supervisory Board | Other positions Employee of the Deutsche Group since 1974 Supervisory board memberships Deutsche Bank Privat- und Geschäftskunden AG; BVV Versicherungsverein des Bankgewerbes a.G. |
| Karin Ruck Age: 38 First elected: 2003 Term expires: 2008 | Employee-elected member of the Supervisory Board | Supervisory board memberships Deutsche Bank Privat- und Geschäftskunden AG Other positions Employee of Deutsche Bank AG since 1984; Deutscher Bankangestellten Verband (deputy chairperson) |
| Tilman Todenhöfer Age: 60 Appointed by the court: 2001 Term expires: 2008 | Member of the Supervisory Board; Managing Partner of Robert Bosch Industrietreuhand KG, Stuttgart (since July 1, 2003); deputy chairman of the board of directors of Robert Bosch GmbH (until December 31, 2003); Commissioner of the Carl-Zeiss-Stiftung (since January 1, 2004); Chairman of the supervisory board of Carl Zeiss AG (since January 15, 2004) | Supervisory board memberships Robert Bosch GmbH (since January 1, 2004); Robert Bosch Int. Beteiligungen AG (president of the board of administration) Bosch Rexroth AG (until December 31, 2003), Robert Bosch Finance Co. Limited (member of the board, until December 31, 2003), Robert Bosch Finance Corporation (member of the board, until December 31, 2003) Other experience University of Tübingen (chairman of the board) |
| Dipl.-Ing. Dr.-Ing. E.h. Jürgen Weber Age: 62 First elected: 2003 Term expires: 2008 | Member of the Supervisory Board; Chairman of the Supervisory Board of Deutsche Lufthansa AG, Cologne | Supervisory board memberships Allianz Lebensversicherungs-AG, Bayer AG, Deutsche Post AG; Thomas Cook AG (chairman), Voith AG, Loyalty Partner GmbH (chairman); Tetra Laval Group Other experience Member of the board of directors of Ecolab Inc., 1991-2001; managing director of R. Woeste & Co. GmbH & Co. KG |
| Dipl.-Ing. Albrecht Woeste Age: 68 First elected: 1993 Term expires: 2008 | Member of the Supervisory Board | Supervisory board memberships Henkel KGaA (chairman); Allianz Lebensversicherungs-AG Other nonexecutive directorships IKB Deutsche Industriebank (member of the advisory board); R. Woeste & Co. GmbH & Co KG (chairman of the advisory board) Other experience Member of the board of directors of Ecolab Inc., 1991-2001; managing director of R. Woeste & Co. GmbH & Co. KG |
| Leo Wunderlich Age: 54 First elected: 2003 Term expires: 2008 | Employee-elected member of the Supervisory Board; Chairman of the works council of Deutsche Bank | Other positions Employee of Deutsche Bank AG since 1966 |

The following persons were members of the Supervisory Board until June 10, 2003: Gerald Herrmann, Peter Kazmierczak, Adolf Kracht, Professor Dr.-Ing. E.h. Berthold Leibinger, Klaus Schwedler, Michael Freiherr Truchseß von Wetzhausen and Lothar Wacker.

Standing Committees

The Supervisory Board has established the following four standing committees. The Report of the Supervisory Board provides information on the concrete work of the committees over the preceding year.

| Committee | Meetings in 2003 | Responsibilities | Members as of December 31, 2003 |
|----------------------------------|------------------|--|---|
| Chairman's Committee | 4 | prepares decisions by the Supervisory Board on the appointment and dismissal of members of the Board of Managing Directors, including long-term succession planning in the Board of Managing Directors; responsible for deciding the terms of the service contracts and other contractual arrangements between us and members of our Board of Managing Directors; for the approval of ancillary activities of members of the Board of Managing Directors; and for the statutorily required approval of certain contracts between us and members of the Supervisory Board and Board of Managing Directors; prepares Supervisory Board decisions with respect to corporate governance | Dr. Rolf-E. Breuer – Chairperson Heidrun Förster Dr. Ulrich Cartellieri Ulrich Kaufmann |
| Audit Committee | 5 | mandates the independent auditors that the annual shareholders' meeting elects; sets the compensation of the independent auditor and may determine priorities for the audits; monitors the auditor's independence; reviews our interim reports and financial statements and discusses the audit report with the auditor; prepares the Supervisory Board's decision on the approval of the annual financial statements and the consolidated financial statements; discusses changes of accounting or auditing practices; arranges to be informed regularly about the work done by the internal audit; responsible for handling of complaints regarding accounting, internal accounting controls and auditing matters; approval of the engagement of non-audit services to our auditor | Dr. Karl-Hermann Baumann – Chairperson Dr. Rolf-E. Breuer Heidrun Förster Dr. Ulrich Cartellieri Sabine Horn Rolf Hunck |
| Credit and Market Risk Committee | 6 | responsible for the treatment of loans which, pursuant to law or our Articles of Association, require a resolution of the supervisory board; approves investments in other companies of between 2% and 3% of our regulatory banking capital; the Board of Managing Directors provides this committee with information on legal and reputational risks, credit exposures and related circumstances which are of special importance due to the risks or liabilities attached to them or for any other reason | Dr. Rolf-E. Breuer – Chairperson Dr. Karl-Hermann Baumann Dr. Ulrich Cartellieri Sir Peter Job – deputy member Ulrich Hartmann – deputy member |
| Mediation Committee | 0 | responsible for making proposals to the Supervisory Board on the appointment or dismissal of members of the Board of Managing Directors in those cases where the Supervisory Board is unable to reach a two-thirds majority decision with respect to the appointment or dismissal | Dr. Rolf-E. Breuer – Chairperson Heidrun Förster Dr. Ulrich Cartellieri Henriette Mark |

The duties, responsibilities and processes of the Chairman's Committee and the Audit Committee are set out in separate terms of references, which are available on our Internet website (www.deutsche-bank.com/corporate-governance).

Performance-related Compensation

Board of Managing Directors

The Chairman's Committee of the Supervisory Board is responsible for determining the structure and level of the remuneration of members of the Board of Managing Directors. In particular, the Chairman's Committee determines salaries and other compensation components, including pension benefits, for the Board of Managing Directors. At the proposal of the Chairman's Committee, the full Supervisory Board discusses and regularly reviews the structure of the Management Board compensation system.

We have entered into service agreements with members of our Board of Managing Directors. These agreements established the following principal elements of compensation:

Salary. We established fixed remuneration for the members of our Board of Managing Directors based on a comparative analysis of the base salaries a selected peer group of international companies pays its Managing Directors.

Cash Bonus. As part of the variable compensation we pay annual cash bonuses to members of our Board of Managing Directors based on achievement of the planned return on equity of the group (based on underlying pre-tax profit, which excludes among other items net gains/losses from industrial holdings, in relation to the average active equity).

Mid-Term-Incentive ("MTI"). As further part of the variable compensation we grant a performance-based mid-term-incentive which reflects, for a rolling two year period, the ratio between our total shareholder return and the corresponding average figure for the peer group. The mid-term-incentive payment consists of a cash component (1/3) and equity-based awards (2/3) which contain long-term risk elements under the DB Global Partnership Plan. For further information on the terms of our DB Global Partnership Plan see Note [20] to the consolidated financial statements.

The aggregate remuneration, including performance-based compensation, earned by the members of our Board of Managing Directors for the year ended December 31, 2003 was € 28,005,459. This aggregate remuneration was comprised of the following:

| in € | 2003 |
|--|-------------------|
| Salaries | 3.550.000 |
| Bonuses, mid-term-incentive (cash and equity-based) and other payments | 23.693.460 |
| Other remuneration ¹ | 761.999 |
| Total remuneration | 28.005.459 |

¹ Insurance premiums, payments in kind and taxes

The Members of our Board of Managing Directors received as part of the mid-term-incentive share-based awards; the ultimate value of which to the members of the Board of Managing Directors will depend on the price of the Deutsche Bank share. The units of each portion of this share-based compensation are described below.

DB Equity Units. In respect of the 2003 performance year, we awarded an aggregate of 99,699 deferred share awards to members of our Board of Managing Directors. These shares are scheduled to be delivered on August 1, 2007.

Performance Options and Partnership Appreciation Rights. In respect of the 2003 performance year, we awarded an aggregate number of 114,880 Performance Options and 114,880 Partnership Appreciation Rights. The awards will each be exercisable in equal proportions of 38,293 units on February 1, 2006, February 1, 2007 and February 1, 2008, at an exercise price equal to 120% of the “reference price” as defined in note [20] to the consolidated financial statements.

In addition to the above amounts that we paid to members of the Board of Managing Directors in 2003, we paid former members of the Board of Managing Directors or their surviving dependents an aggregate of € 31,218,858. During 2003 we set aside nearly € 1.0 million for pension, retirement or similar benefits for our Board of Managing Directors.

For further information on the terms of our DB Global Partnership Plan, pursuant to which DB Equity Units, Performance Options and Partnership Appreciation Rights are issued, see Note [20] to the consolidated financial statements.

Pursuant to the service contracts we have entered into with each of the members of our Board of Managing Directors, the board members are entitled to receive certain transitional payments upon termination of their board membership. If a member is terminated other than for cause, he or she is entitled to receive a severance payment generally consisting of his or her base salary for the remaining term of the service contract, as well as an amount corresponding to the members’s average annual bonus paid in the three years preceding the termination.

Our Board Members as of December 31, 2003 received the following remuneration for the year 2003:

| in € Members of the Board of Managing Directors | Annual Cash Compensation | | Equity-based MTI | |
|---|--------------------------|---------------------|------------------|----------------------------------|
| | Salary | Cash Bonus/cash MTI | DB Equity Units | Performance Options ¹ |
| Dr. Josef Ackermann | 1,150,000 | 6,570,500 | 42,519 | 48,993 |
| Dr. Clemens Börsig | 800,000 | 2,926,000 | 19,060 | 21,962 |
| Dr. Tessen v. Heydebreck | 800,000 | 2,926,000 | 19,060 | 21,962 |
| Hermann-Josef Lamberti | 800,000 | 2,926,000 | 19,060 | 21,962 |

¹ For each Performance Option a Partnership Appreciation Right is granted; for further details see Note [20] to the consolidated financial statements.

| Members of the Board of Managing Directors | Performance Options Granted ¹ | Percentage of Total Options Outstanding | Strike Price in € ¹ | Expiration Date | Grant Date Present Value in € | Currently Exer- cisable | Currently Unexer- cisable ² |
|---|--|---|--------------------------------------|--------------------|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------|--|
| Dr. Josef Ackermann | 48,993 | 0.19% | 76.61 | February 1, 2010 | 13.02 | – | 48,993 |
| Dr. Clemens Börsig | 21,962 | 0.08% | 76.61 | February 1, 2010 | 13.02 | – | 21,962 |
| Dr. Tessen v. Heydebreck | 21,962 | 0.08% | 76.61 | February 1, 2010 | 13.02 | – | 21,962 |
| Hermann-Josef Lamberti | 21,962 | 0.08% | 76.61 | February 1, 2010 | 13.02 | – | 21,962 |

¹ For each Performance Option a Partnership Appreciation Right is granted; for further details see Note [20] to the consolidated financial statements.

² Mandatory holding period of two years from date of grant.

Supervisory Board

The compensation of Supervisory Board members is set forth in our Articles of Association, which our shareholders amend from time to time at their annual meetings. Such compensation provisions were most recently amended at our 2003 annual shareholder’s meeting on June 10, 2003.

For the period prior to such meeting, the following compensation policies applied. The compensation generally consisted of a fixed remuneration of € 7,000 per year (plus value-added tax (Umsatzsteuer)) and a dividend-based bonus of € 2,500 per year for every full or fractional € 0.05 increment by which the dividend we distributed to our shareholders exceeded € 0.15 per share. We increased the dividend-based bonus of each Supervisory Board

member by 25% for each committee on which the Supervisory Board member sat. We paid the chairperson twice the total compensation of a regular member, and we paid the deputy chairperson one and a half times the total compensation of a regular member.

For the period following such meeting, the following compensation policies apply. The compensation generally consists of a fixed remuneration of € 30,000 per year (plus value-added tax (Umsatzsteuer)) and a dividend-based bonus of € 1,000 per year for every full or fractional € 0.05 increment by which the dividend we distribute to our shareholders exceeds € 0.15 per share. We increase both the fixed remuneration and the dividend-based bonus of each Supervisory Board member by 25% for each committee on which the Supervisory Board member sits, except that for the chair of a committee the rate of increment is 50% and if the committee chairman is not identical with the Supervisory Board chairman the rate of increment is 75%. These amounts are based on the premise that the respective committee has met during the financial year. We pay the chairperson three times the total compensation of a regular member, and we pay the deputy chairperson one and a half times the total compensation of a regular member. The members of the Supervisory Board also receive an annual remuneration linked to our long-term success; this remuneration varies in size depending on how the ratio between the total return on our shares – based on share price development, dividend and capital actions – and the average total return of shares of a group of peer companies currently consisting of Citigroup Inc., Credit Suisse Group, J. P. Morgan Chase & Co., Merrill Lynch & Co. Inc. and UBS AG, has developed in the three financial years immediately preceding the year for which the remuneration is paid. If the ratio lies between -10% and +10% each member receives an amount of € 15,000; if our shares outperform the peer group by 10% to 20%, the payment increases to € 25,000; and in case of a more than 20% higher performance it rises to € 40,000. The members of the Supervisory Board receive a meeting fee of € 1,000 for each meeting of the Supervisory Board and its committees in which they take part. In addition, in our interest, the members of the Supervisory Board will be included in any financial liability insurance policy held in an appropriate amount by us, with the corresponding premiums being paid by us.

Both before and after the amendment of the compensation provisions, the following policies applied. We also reimburse members of the Supervisory Board for all cash expenses and any value-added tax (Umsatzsteuer) they incur in connection with their roles as members of the Supervisory Board. Employee-elected members of the Supervisory Board also continue to receive their employee benefits. For Supervisory Board members who served on the board for only part of the year, we pay a fraction of their total compensation based on the number of months they served, rounding up or down to whole months.

We compensate our Supervisory Board members after the end of each fiscal year. In January 2004, we paid each Supervisory Board member the fixed portion of their remuneration for their services in 2003 and their meeting fees. The remuneration linked to our long-term success was defined to be zero. In addition, we will pay each of them for their services in 2003 a dividend-based bonus after the shareholders' meeting in June 2004. The following table shows the individual remuneration of the members of the Supervisory Board for their services in 2003, assuming that the shareholders' meeting in June 2004 approves the envisaged dividend of € 1.50 per share.

| in € Members of the Supervisory Board | Compensation for fiscal year 2003 | | | |
|---|-----------------------------------|------------------|---------------|------------------|
| | Fixed | Variable | Meeting Fee | Total |
| Dr. Rolf-E. Breuer | 80,208 | 165,375 | 11,000 | 256,583 |
| Dr. Karl-Hermann Baumann | 37,916 | 73,688 | 9,000 | 120,604 |
| Heidrun Förster | 39,375 | 94,781 | 7,000 | 141,156 |
| Dr. Ulrich Cartellieri | 33,542 | 76,781 | 11,000 | 121,323 |
| Klaus Funk | 20,416 | 43,875 | 3,000 | 67,291 |
| Ulrich Hartmann ² | 21,875 | 19,687 | 5,000 | 46,562 |
| Gerald Herrmann ¹ | 2,917 | 28,125 | – | 31,042 |
| Sabine Horn | 24,792 | 54,844 | 4,000 | 83,636 |
| Rolf Hunck ² | 21,875 | 19,687 | 5,000 | 46,562 |
| Sir Peter Job | 24,792 | 54,844 | 6,000 | 85,636 |
| Prof. Dr. Henning Kagermann | 20,416 | 43,875 | 3,000 | 67,291 |
| Ulrich Kaufmann | 24,792 | 47,812 | 5,000 | 77,604 |
| Peter Kazmierczak ¹ | 2,917 | 28,125 | – | 31,042 |
| Adolf Kracht ¹ | 2,917 | 35,156 | – | 38,073 |
| Prof. Dr.-Ing. E.h. Berthold Leibinger ¹ | 2,917 | 28,125 | – | 31,042 |
| Henriette Mark ² | 17,500 | 15,750 | 3,000 | 36,250 |
| Margret Mönig-Raane | 20,416 | 43,875 | 3,000 | 67,291 |
| Dr. Michael Otto | 20,416 | 43,875 | 2,000 | 66,291 |
| Gabriele Platscher ² | 17,500 | 15,750 | 3,000 | 36,250 |
| Karin Ruck ² | 17,500 | 15,750 | 3,000 | 36,250 |
| Klaus Schwedler ¹ | 2,917 | 28,125 | – | 31,042 |
| Tilman Todenhöfer | 20,416 | 43,875 | 3,000 | 67,291 |
| Michael Freiherr Truchseß von Wetzhausen ¹ | 2,917 | 35,156 | – | 38,073 |
| Lothar Wacker ¹ | 2,917 | 35,156 | – | 38,073 |
| Dipl.-Ing. Dr.-Ing. E.h. Jürgen Weber ² | 17,500 | 15,750 | 3,000 | 36,250 |
| Dipl.-Ing. Albrecht Woeste | 20,416 | 43,875 | 3,000 | 67,291 |
| Leo Wunderlich ² | 17,500 | 15,750 | 3,000 | 36,250 |
| Total | 539,582 | 1,167,467 | 95,000 | 1,802,049 |

¹ Member until June 10, 2003

² New member since June 10, 2003

As mentioned above, most of the employee-elected members of the Supervisory Board are employed by us. In addition, Dr. Breuer and Dr. Cartellieri were formerly employed by us. The aggregate compensation we and our consolidated subsidiaries paid to such members as a group during the year ended December 31, 2003 for their services as employees or status as former employees (including retirement, pension and deferred compensation) was € 5,000,572.

Share Plans

For a description of our employee share programs, please refer to Note [20] to the consolidated financial statements.

Reporting and Transparency

Directors' Share Ownership

Board of Managing Directors. As of February 29, 2004, the individual share ownership (including options to purchase our shares or rights related to our shares) of the current members of the Board of Managing Directors was as follows:

| Members of the Board of Managing Directors | Number of Shares | Number of Options | Number of Partnership Appreciation Rights | Number of DB Equity Units |
|--|---------------------|-------------------|---|---------------------------|
| Dr. Josef Ackermann | 57,000 | 157,795 | 157,795 | 118,342 |
| Dr. Clemens Börsig | 10,250 ¹ | 63,684 | 63,684 | 57,402 |
| Dr. Tessen von Heydebreck | 10,000 | 64,919 | 64,919 | 58,653 |
| Hermann-Josef Lamberti | 21,558 | 64,919 | 64,919 | 58,653 |

¹ Excluding 150 Deutsche Bank shares, pooled in a family held partnership as defined under the German civil code, in which Dr. Clemens Börsig has an interest of less than 25%.

The current members of our Board of Managing Directors held an aggregate of 98,808 of our shares on February 29, 2004, amounting to 0.017% of our share capital on that date. No member of the Board of Managing Directors beneficially owns 1% or more of our outstanding shares.

The current members of our Board of Managing Directors also held 293,049 DB Equity Units, 351,317 Performance Options and 351,317 Partnership Appreciation Rights. 58,827 of the DB Equity Units vested on February 1, 2004 and will be delivered on August 1, 2005 and 14,707 of the DB Equity Units will vest and be delivered on August 1, 2005. 95,853 of the DB Equity Units will vest on February 1, 2005 and will be delivered on August 1, 2006 and 23,963 of the DB Equity Units will vest and be delivered on August 1, 2006. 79,759 of the DB Equity Units will vest on February 1, 2006 and will be delivered on August 1, 2007 and 19,940 of the DB Equity Units will vest and be delivered on August 1, 2007.

The table below shows information regarding the 351,317 Performance Options held by our current members of our Board of Managing Directors as of February 29, 2004.

| Number of Performance Options | Strike Price in € | Vesting Date | Expiration Date |
|-------------------------------|-------------------|------------------|------------------|
| 32,772 | 89.96 | February 1, 2004 | February 1, 2008 |
| 32,772 | 89.96 | February 1, 2005 | February 1, 2008 |
| 32,772 | 89.96 | February 1, 2006 | February 1, 2008 |
| 138,121 | 47.53 | February 1, 2005 | February 1, 2009 |
| 38,293 | 76.61 | February 1, 2006 | February 1, 2010 |
| 38,293 | 76.61 | February 1, 2007 | February 1, 2010 |
| 38,293 | 76.61 | February 1, 2008 | February 1, 2010 |

The vesting of the Partnership Appreciation Rights will occur at the same time and to the same extent as the vesting of Performance Options.

For more information on the deferred share awards discussed above, see Note [20] to the consolidated financial statements.

Supervisory Board. As of February 29, 2004, the individual share ownership (including options to purchase our shares) of each member of the Supervisory Board, was as follows:

| Members of the Supervisory Board | Number of Shares | Options |
|---------------------------------------|------------------|---------------|
| Dr. Rolf-E. Breuer | 20,107 | 57,310 |
| Dr. rer. oec. Karl-Hermann Baumann | – | – |
| Dr. Ulrich Cartellieri | 675 | – |
| Heidrun Förster | 500 | 200 |
| Klaus Funk | 350 | 200 |
| Ulrich Hartmann | – | – |
| Sabine Horn | 293 | 100 |
| Rolf Hunck | 624 | 3,833 |
| Sir Peter Job | – | – |
| Prof. Dr. Henning Kagermann | – | – |
| Ulrich Kaufmann | 173 | 200 |
| Henriette Mark | 238 | 200 |
| Margret Mönig-Raane | – | – |
| Dr. Michael Otto | – | – |
| Gabriele Platscher | 699 | 200 |
| Karin Ruck | 70 | 120 |
| Tilman Todenhöfer | – | – |
| Dipl.-Ing. Dr. Ing. E.h. Jürgen Weber | – | – |
| Dipl. Ing. Albrecht Woeste | – | – |
| Leo Wunderlich | 672 | 200 |
| Total | 24,401 | 62,563 |

As of December 31, 2003, the members of the Supervisory Board held 24,829 shares (December 31, 2002: 35,453) and 62,403 options to purchase shares (December 31, 2002: 58,396).

No member of the Supervisory Board beneficially owns 1% or more of our outstanding shares.

The options held by Dr. Rolf-E. Breuer were received by him as compensation during his prior service as Spokesman of our Board of Managing Directors. Dr. Breuer's options had a strike price of € 89.96, vesting dates of February 1, 2004, 2005 and 2006, and an expiration date of February 1, 2008. Rolf Hunck received a total of 3,673 options under the DB Global Partnership Plan as part of his compensation as an employee, 726 of which were received in February 2002 and had a strike price of € 89.96, vesting dates of February 1, 2004, 2005 and 2006, and an expiration date of February 1, 2008, and 2,947 of which were received in February 2003 and had a strike price of € 47.53, vesting dates of February 1, 2005, 2006 and 2007, and an expiration date of February 1, 2009. The other options reflected in the table were acquired via the voluntary participation of employee members of our Supervisory Board in the DB Global Share Plan. DB Global Share Plan options issued in 2001 generally had a strike price of € 87.66, a vesting date of January 2, 2004 and an expiration date of November 13, 2007; those issued in 2002 generally had a strike price of € 55.39, a vesting date of January 2, 2005 and an expiration date of November 13, 2008; those issued in 2003 generally had a strike price of € 75.24, a vesting date of January 2, 2006 and an expiration date of December 11, 2009. All options are with respect to our ordinary shares.

Directors' Dealings

Each transaction by a member of the Board of Managing Directors or a member of the Supervisory Board or persons related to them in shares of Deutsche Bank AG or derivatives on these shares is announced without delay on the Deutsche Bank's homepage (www.deutsche-bank.com/corporate-governance). The transactions since January 1, 2003, were as follows (until February 29, 2004):

| Members of the Board of Managing Directors | | | | | | |
|--|-----------------------|---|----------|----------------------|---------------------|------------|
| Date of Transaction | Name | Title of the Security or Right/Derivative | WKN/ISIN | Quantity and Nominal | Type of Transaction | Price in € |
| February 17, 2003 | Tessen von Heydebreck | DB Shares | 514000 | 10,000 | Buy | 41.70 |
| August 1, 2003 | Clemens Börsig | DB Shares | 514000 | 10,000 | Buy | 56.00 |

| Members of the Supervisory Board | | | | | | |
|----------------------------------|--------------------|---|----------|----------------------|---------------------|------------|
| Date of Transaction | Name | Title of the Security or Right/Derivative | WKN/ISIN | Quantity and Nominal | Type of Transaction | Price in € |
| May 8, 2003 | Klaus Funk | DB Shares | 514000 | 50 | Buy | 49.65 |
| November 3, 2003 | Ulrich Kaufmann | DB Shares | 514000 | 200 | Sell | 57.53 |
| December 11, 2003 | Heidrun Förster | DB Shares | 514000 | 20 | Buy ¹ | 54.45 |
| December 11, 2003 | Klaus Funk | DB Shares | 514000 | 20 | Buy ¹ | 54.45 |
| December 11, 2003 | Rolf Hunck | DB Shares | 514000 | 20 | Buy ¹ | 54.45 |
| December 11, 2003 | Ulrich Kaufmann | DB Shares | 514000 | 20 | Buy ¹ | 54.45 |
| December 11, 2003 | Henriette Mark | DB Shares | 514000 | 20 | Buy ¹ | 54.45 |
| December 11, 2003 | Gabriele Platscher | DB Shares | 514000 | 20 | Buy ¹ | 54.45 |
| December 11, 2003 | Leo Wunderlich | DB Shares | 514000 | 20 | Buy ¹ | 54.45 |
| February 6, 2004 | Rolf Hunck | DB Shares | 514000 | 450 | Sell | 65.38 |

¹ Purchased within the employees' share program Global Share 2003. Additional five options to purchase one share for each share purchased were also received. Exercisable after January 1, 2006 at the earliest.

| Others persons required to report | | | | | | |
|-----------------------------------|----------------|---|----------|----------------------|---------------------|------------|
| Date of Transaction | Name | Title of the Security or Right/Derivative | WKN/ISIN | Quantity and Nominal | Type of Transaction | Price in € |
| April 2, 2003 | Eghard Woeste | DB Shares | 514000 | 700 | Buy | 39.20 |
| August 1, 2003 | Gerhild Börsig | DB Shares | 514000 | 1,000 | Buy | 56.00 |

Related Party Transactions

We have business relationships with a number of the companies in which we own significant equity interests. We also have business relationships with a number of companies where members of our Board of Managing Directors also hold positions on boards of directors. Our business relationships with these companies cover many of the financial services we provide to our clients generally.

We believe that we conduct all of our business with these companies on terms equivalent to those that would exist if we did not have equity holdings in them or management members in common, and that we have conducted business with these companies on that basis in 2003 and prior years. None of these transactions is or was material to us.

Among our business with related party companies in 2003 there have been and currently are loans, guarantees and commitments. A,0ll of these lending-related credit exposures (excluding derivatives), which totaled € 3.9 billion (of which € 2.4 billion related to our equity method investment in EUROHYPO AG) as of February 29, 2004

- were made in the ordinary course of business;
- were made on substantially the same terms, including interest rates and collateral, as those prevailing at the time for comparable transactions with other persons; and
- did not involve more than the normal risk of collectability or present other unfavorable features.

EUROHYPO AG

Following an agreement in principle reached in 2001, in the third quarter of 2002 we merged our mortgage bank subsidiary, EUROHYPO AG Europäische Hypothekenbank der Deutsche Bank AG ("Eurohypo Old"), with the mortgage bank subsidiaries of Dresdner Bank AG and Commerzbank AG, to form the new EUROHYPO AG. After the merger, we contributed part of our London-based real estate investment banking business to EUROHYPO AG in December 2002. In January 2003, our German commercial real estate financing division in Germany and Dresdner Bank AG's U.S. based real estate investment banking team were transferred to EUROHYPO AG. Subsequent to these transactions, we owned 37.7% of the outstanding share capital of EUROHYPO AG.

Two members of the supervisory board of EUROHYPO AG are employees of Deutsche Bank AG. Additionally, two members of the Board of Managing Directors of EUROHYPO AG, including the Spokesman, were members of the management board of Eurohypo Old prior to the merger.

Besides our equity stake, which had a book value of € 2.4 billion at December 31, 2003, we provide EUROHYPO AG with loans and commitments. Total loans and commitments (including derivative lines) as of December 31, 2003 were € 5.5 billion, of which € 4.0 billion were utilized at that date.

Deutsche Bank AG, Commerzbank AG and Dresdner Bank AG each granted EUROHYPO AG financial guarantees to protect EUROHYPO AG against losses resulting from loan loss provisions arising from loans each contributed to the new entity up to a fixed maximum amount for the period until December 31, 2006. While the maximum amount of the financial guarantees of Commerzbank AG and Dresdner Bank AG has already been utilized by the end of 2003, our financial guarantee is still in force with an unutilized amount of € 187 million as of December 31, 2003. Furthermore, we held fixed income securities issued by EUROHYPO AG, classified as securities available for sale, in the amount of € 606 million as of December 31, 2003.

Under the agreement in principle referred to above, Deutsche Bank, Commerzbank AG and Dresdner Bank AG have agreed to certain transfer restrictions regarding their shares in EUROHYPO AG which are in force until December 31, 2008, including preemptive rights.

In March 2004, the major shareholders waived their rights to a dividend payment in respect of the fiscal year 2003 and EUROHYPO AG announced that it had taken a decision in March 2004 to establish additional general banking reserves allowable under German accounting rules (HGB). We account for our investment in EUROHYPO AG under the equity-method and as such recognize in our income statement our proportional share of the after-tax earnings or losses of EUROHYPO AG as reported applying U.S. GAAP.

We have not conducted material business with parties that fall outside of the definition of related parties, but with whom we or our related parties have a relationship that enables the parties to negotiate terms of material transactions that may not be available from other, more clearly independent, parties on an arm's-length basis.

Aside from our other shareholdings, we hold acquired equity interests in some of our clients arising from our efforts to protect our then-outstanding lending exposures to them.

The table below shows information on loans to related party companies that we have classified as nonaccrual as of December 31, 2003. As such, these loans may exhibit more than normal risk of collectability or present other unfavorable features. We hold a significant portion of the outstanding equity interests in customers C, D and E noted below and account for these equity interests in our financial statements using the equity method of accounting (as described in Note [6] to the consolidated financial statements). Our participating interests in customer A, B and F are 10% or more of their voting rights.

| in € m. | Amount outstanding as of February 29, 2004 | Largest amount outstanding January 1, 2003 to February 29, 2004 | Nature of the loan and transaction in which incurred |
|------------|--|---|---|
| Customer A | 45 | 45 | Comprised of six loans totaling € 27 million payable on demand, each bearing interest at 4.33% per annum, two export financings totaling € 10 million, each bearing interest at 4.07% per annum, maturing on December 31, 2004, and one refinancing of a sale-leaseback transaction of € 8 million bearing interest at 3.46% per annum maturing on January 31, 2027. Interest accrual has been stopped. |
| Customer B | 97 | 97 | Loans (primarily real estate finance and drawn guarantees). The company is in liquidation and the loans are payable on demand. Interest accrual has been stopped. |
| Customer C | 9 | 9 | Comprised of two loans for which we have demanded repayment and stopped accruing interest. € 8 million relates to a sale-leaseback transaction. |
| Customer D | 89 | 114 | Project finance loan maturing December 31, 2007. Interest accrual has been stopped. |
| Customer E | 18 | 21 | Comprised of € 16 million commercial corporate loan rolled over at 90 day periods and € 2 million short-term cash loan. Interest accrual has been stopped for both. |
| Customer F | 4 | 4 | Comprised of two loans payable on demand for which interest accrual has been stopped. |

Auditing and Controlling

Audit Committee Financial Expert

Our Supervisory Board has determined that the following members of its Audit Committee are “audit committee financial experts”, as such term is defined by the regulations of the Securities and Exchange Commission issued pursuant to Section 407 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002: Dr. rer.oec. Karl-Hermann Baumann, Dr. Rolf E. Breuer and Dr. Ulrich Cartellieri.

Code of Ethics

In response to Section 406 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, we have adopted a code of ethics that applies to our principal executive officer, principal financial officer, principal accounting officer or controller, or persons performing similar functions. A copy of this code of ethics is available on our Internet website at www.deutschebank.com/corporate-governance.

Principal Accounting Fees and Services

In accordance with German law, our principal accountants are appointed by our annual shareholders’ meeting based on a recommendation of our Supervisory Board. The Audit Committee of our Supervisory Board prepares the board’s recommendation on the selection of the principal accountants. Subsequent to the principal accountants’ appointment, the Audit Committee awards the contract and in its sole authority approves the terms and scope of the audit and all audit engagement fees as well as monitors the principal accountants’ independence. On June 10,

2003, the annual shareholders' meeting appointed KPMG Deutsche Treuhand-Gesellschaft Aktiengesellschaft Wirtschaftsprüfungsgesellschaft, which has been our principal accounts for a number of years, as our principal accountants for the 2003 fiscal year.

The table set forth below contains the aggregate fees billed for each of the last two fiscal years by our principal accountants in each of the following categories: (i) Audit Fees, which are fees for professional services for the audit of our annual financial statements or services that are normally provided by the accountant in connection with statutory and regulatory filings or engagements for those fiscal years, (ii) Audit-Related Fees, which are fees for assurance and related services that are reasonably related to the performance of the audit or review of our financial statements and are not reported as Audit Fees, (iii) Tax Fees, which are fees for professional services rendered for tax compliance, tax consulting and tax planning, and (iv) All Other Fees, which are fees for products and services other than Audit Fees, Audit-Related Fees and Tax Fees. These amounts exclude expenses and VAT.

| Fee Category in € m. | 2003 | 2002 |
|-------------------------|-----------|-----------|
| Audit Fees | 32 | 31 |
| Audit-Related Fees | 12 | 23 |
| Tax Fees | 8 | 9 |
| All Other Fees | 1 | 4 |
| Total Fees | 53 | 67 |

Our Audit-Related fees included fees for accounting advisory, due diligence relating to actual or contemplated acquisitions and dispositions, attestation engagements and other agreed-upon procedure engagements. Our Tax Fees including fees for services relating to the preparation and review of tax returns and related compliance assistance and advice, tax consultation and advice relating to Group tax planning strategies and initiatives and assistance with assessing compliance with tax regulations. Our Other Fees were incurred for project-related advisory services.

United States law and regulations in effect since May 6, 2003, and our own policies, generally require all engagements of our principal accountants be pre-approved by our Audit Committee or pursuant to policies and procedures adopted by it. Our Audit Committee has adopted the following policies and procedures for consideration and approval of requests to engage our principal accountants to perform non-audited services. Engagement requests must in the first instance be submitted to our Group Finance Committee, whose members consist of our Chief Financial Officer and senior members of our Controlling and Tax departments. If the request relates to services that would impair the independence of our principal accountants, the request must be rejected. Our Audit Committee has given its pre-approval for specified assurance, financial advisory and tax services, provided the expected fees for any such service do not exceed € 1 million. If the engagement request relates to such specified pre-approved services, it may be approved by the Group Finance Committee, which must thereafter report such approval to the Audit Committee. If the engagement request relates neither to prohibited non-audit services nor to pre-approved non-audit services, it must be forwarded by the Group Finance Committee to the Audit Committee for consideration. In addition, to facilitate the consideration of engagement requests between its meetings, the Audit Committee has delegated approval authority to several of its members who are "independent" as defined by the Securities and Exchange Commission and the New York Stock Exchange. Such members are required to report any approvals made by them to the Audit Committee at its next meeting.

Additionally, United States law and regulations in effect since May 6, 2003 permit the pre-approval requirement to be waived with respect to engagements for non-audit services aggregating no more than five percent of the total amount of revenues we paid to our principal accountants, if such engagements were not recognized by us at the time of engagement and were promptly brought to the attention of our Audit Committee or a designated member thereof and approved prior to the completion of the audit. In 2003, the percentage of the total amount of revenue we paid to our principal accountants represented by non-audit services in each category that were subject to such a waiver was less than 5%.

Compliance with the German Corporate Governance Code

Declaration of Conformity 2003

The Board of Managing Directors and Supervisory Board issued a new Declaration of Conformity pursuant to § 161 German Stock Corporation Act (AktG) on October 29, 2003. In accordance with the statutory regulations, this Declaration included information on the past for the first time. It stated that Deutsche Bank AG complied with the recommendations of the "Government Commission on the German Corporate Governance Code" since its last Declaration of Conformity dated October 30, 2002, which was based on the version of the Code valid at that time, with the following exceptions:

- For the members of the Board of Managing Directors and the Supervisory Board, there has been a directors and officers' liability insurance policy, initially with a small deductible and subsequently without deductible (Code No. 3.8).
- Chairing of the Supervisory Board Committees (Code No. 5.4.5) did not entail separate compensation until the amendment of § 14 of the Articles of Association by the General Meeting on June 10, 2003.

The Code recommendations in the amended version dated May 21, 2003, will be complied with in the future, with the exception that for the members of the Board of Managing Directors and of the Supervisory Board there is a directors and officers' liability insurance policy without a deductible (Code No. 3.8). This is actually a Group insurance policy for a large number of staff members in Germany and abroad. Internationally, a deductible is unusual; a differentiation between board members and staff members does not appear to be appropriate.

The Declaration of Conformity is also published on our Internet website at www.deutsche-bank.com/corporate-governance, where you can also find a copy of the German Corporate Governance Code.

Statement on the suggestions of the German Corporate Governance Code

In May 2003, the Government Commission amended the German Corporate Governance Code, which included the suggestion that a statement can be made in the Annual Report on the suggestions of the Code (Code No. 3.10). Accordingly, we would like to comply with this suggestion here. Deutsche Bank voluntarily complies with the suggestions of the Code in the version dated May 21, 2003, with the following exceptions:

- The representatives appointed by Deutsche Bank to exercise shareholders' voting rights can be reached by those attending the General Meeting until just before voting commences. The representatives are reachable by those not attending until 12 noon on the day of the General Meeting using the instruction tool in the Internet (Code number 2.3.3). In this manner, the risk of any technical disruptions directly before voting takes place can basically be excluded. This is also when the broadcast through the Internet ends at the latest, which means information useful for non-participants in forming an opinion can no longer be expected after this time.

- Our broadcast of the General Meeting through the Internet (Code No. 2.3.4) covers the opening of the General Meeting by the Chairman and the report of the Board of Managing Directors. The shareholders are thus free to hold their discussions with management unencumbered by a public broadcast to a wide audience.
- Until now, all of the members of the Supervisory Board have been elected for a uniform period of office (Code No. 5.4.4). As based on the supplement to the Articles of Association in § 9 (1) by the General Meeting 2002, there is the possibility to vary the periods of office in future (re)elections.

Supervisory Board

Dr. Rolf-E. Breuer

– Chairman,
Frankfurt am Main

Heidrun Förster*

– Deputy Chairperson,
Deutsche Bank Privat- und
Geschäftskunden AG, Berlin

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Klaus Funk*

Deutsche Bank Privat- und
Geschäftskunden AG,
Frankfurt am Main

Ulrich Hartmann

from June 10, 2003,
Chairman of the Supervisory
Board of E.ON AG, Düsseldorf

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Federal Executive Secretary of
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from June 10, 2003,
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Prof. Dr.

Henning Kagermann
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Walldorf/Baden

Ulrich Kaufmann*

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until June 10, 2003,
Deutsche Bank AG, Essen

Adolf Kracht

until June 10, 2003,
Chairman of the Supervisory
Board of Wilhelm von Finck AG,
Grasbrunn

Professor Dr.-Ing. E.h.

Berthold Leibinger
until June 10, 2003,
Chairman of the Board of
Management of TRUMPF GmbH
+ Co. KG, Ditzingen

Henriette Mark*

from June 10, 2003,
Deutsche Bank AG,
Munich

Margret Mönig-Raane*

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Vereinte Dienstleistungs-
gewerkschaft e.V., Berlin

Dr. Michael Otto

Chairman of the Board
of Management of
Otto (GmbH & Co KG),
Hamburg

Gabriele Platscher*

from June 10, 2003,
Deutsche Bank Privat- und
Geschäftskunden AG,
Braunschweig

Karin Ruck*

from June 10, 2003,
Deutsche Bank AG,
Bad Soden am Taunus

Klaus Schwedler*

until June 10, 2003,
Deutsche Bank AG,
Eschborn

Tilman Todenhöfer

Managing Partner of Robert Bosch
Industrietreuhand KG, Stuttgart

**Michael Freiherr Truchseß
von Wetzhausen***

until June 10, 2003,
Deutsche Bank AG,
Frankfurt am Main

Lothar Wacker*

until June 10, 2003,
Deutsche Bank AG, Cologne

Dipl.-Ing. Dr.-Ing. E.h.

Jürgen Weber
from June 10, 2003,
Chairman of the Supervisory
Board of Deutsche Lufthansa AG,
Hamburg

Dipl.-Ing. Albrecht Woeste

Chairman of the Supervisory
Board and Shareholders'
Committee of Henkel KGaA,
Düsseldorf

Leo Wunderlich*

from June 10, 2003,
Deutsche Bank AG,
Mannheim

* elected by the employees

Committees

Chairman's Committee

Dr. Rolf-E. Breuer
– Chairman
Dr. Ulrich Cartellieri
Heidrun Förster*
Ulrich Kaufmann*
from June 10, 2003
Lothar Wacker*
until June 10, 2003

Mediation Committee

Dr. Rolf-E. Breuer
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Dr. Ulrich Cartellieri
Heidrun Förster*
Ulrich Kaufmann*
until June 10, 2003
Henriette Mark*
from June 10, 2003

Audit Committee

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Dr. Rolf-E. Breuer
Dr. Ulrich Cartellieri
Heidrun Förster*
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Rolf Hunck*
from June 10, 2003
Michael Freiherr Truchseß
von Wetzhausen*
until June 10, 2003

Credit and Market Risk Committee

Dr. Rolf-E. Breuer
– Chairman
Dr. rer. oec.
Karl-Hermann Baumann
Dr. Ulrich Cartellieri
Sir Peter Job
– Substitute Member
Ulrich Hartmann
from June 10, 2003
– Substitute Member
Adolf Kracht
until June 10, 2003
– Substitute Member

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Advisory Board

Ulrich Hartmann

until June 10, 2003
– Chairman,
Chairman of the Supervisory
Board of E.ON AG, Düsseldorf

Werner Wenning

– Deputy Chairman,
until October 30, 2003
– Chairman,
from October 30, 2003
Chairman of the Board
of Managing Directors of
Bayer AG, Leverkusen

Carl L. von Boehm-Bezing

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until June 10, 2003,
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Deputy Chairman of the Board
of Management of
Deutsche Telekom AG, Bonn

Dr. Michael Endres

until December 31, 2003,
Frankfurt am Main

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Member of the Executive Board
of Deutsche Lufthansa AG,
Cologne

Max Dietrich Kley

until May 6, 2003,
Member of the Supervisory
Board of BASF Aktien-
gesellschaft,
Ludwigshafen

Dr. Jürgen Krumnow

Frankfurt am Main

Georg Krupp

until June 10, 2003,
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Management of Volkswagen AG,
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President and CEO of Linde AG,
Wiesbaden

Dr. rer. pol. Michael Rogowski

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Industries,
Chairman of the Supervisory Board
of J.M.Voith AG, Heidenheim

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Executive Vice President
INVESTOR AB, Stockholm

Dr. Ulrich Weiss

until June 10, 2003,
Frankfurt am Main

Reconciliation of reported to underlying results

Set forth below are the reconciliations of non-U.S. GAAP financial measures to the most directly comparable U.S. GAAP financial measures. Definitions of such non-GAAP financial measures and of the adjustments made to the most directly comparable U.S. GAAP financial measures to obtain them, as well as the reasons for their use, are set forth in note [28] to the consolidated financial statements. While such definitions and reasons refer to our business segments, they are generally applicable to the Group as a whole.

| in € m. | 2003 | 2002 |
|--|---------------|---------------|
| Reconciliation of reported to underlying net revenues | | |
| Reported net revenues | 21,268 | 26,547 |
| Add (deduct) | | |
| Net (gains)/losses on securities available for sale/industrial holdings including hedging | 184 | (3,659) |
| Significant equity pick-ups/net (gains)/losses from investments ¹ | 938 | 1,197 |
| Net (gains)/losses from businesses sold/held for sale | (494) | (571) |
| Net losses on the sale of premises | 107 | - |
| Policyholder benefits and claims ² | (110) | (759) |
| Underlying revenues³ | 21,892 | 22,755 |
| Reconciliation of reported provision for loan losses to total provision for credit losses | | |
| Reported provision for loan losses | 1,113 | 2,091 |
| Provision for off-balance sheet positions ⁴ | (50) | 17 |
| Total provision for credit losses⁵ | 1,063 | 2,108 |
| Change in measurement of other inherent loss allowance | - | (200) |
| Total provision for credit losses^{3, 6} | 1,063 | 1,908 |
| Reconciliation of noninterest expenses to operating cost base | | |
| Reported noninterest expenses | 17,399 | 20,907 |
| Add (deduct) | | |
| Restructuring activities | 29 | (583) |
| Goodwill impairment | (114) | (62) |
| Minority interest | 3 | (45) |
| Policyholder benefits and claims ² | (110) | (759) |
| Provision for off-balance sheet positions ⁴ | 50 | (17) |
| Operating cost base³ | 17,257 | 19,442 |

¹ Includes net gains/losses from significant equity method investments and other significant investments.

² Policyholder benefits and claims are reclassified from "Noninterest expenses" to "Underlying revenues".

³ For the year ended December 31, 2003, underlying revenues, total provision for credit losses and operating cost base decreased 4%, 44% and 11%, respectively. Reported net revenues, provision for loan losses and noninterest expenses decreased 20%, 47% and 17%, respectively.

⁴ Provision for off-balance sheet positions is reclassified from "Noninterest expenses" to "Total provision for credit losses".

⁵ Includes change in measurement of other inherent loss allowance.

⁶ Excludes change in measurement of other inherent loss allowance.

| in € m. | 2003 | 2002 |
|--|---------------|---------------|
| Reconciliation of income before income taxes to underlying pre-tax profit | | |
| Income before income taxes | 2,756 | 3,549 |
| Add (deduct) | | |
| Net (gains)/losses from businesses sold/held for sale | (494) | (571) |
| Significant equity pick ups/net (gains)/losses from investments | 938 | 1,197 |
| Net (gains)/losses on securities available for sale/industrial holdings including hedging | 184 | (3,659) |
| Net losses on the sale of premises | 107 | - |
| Restructuring activities | (29) | 583 |
| Goodwill impairment | 114 | 62 |
| Change in measurement of other inherent loss allowance | - | 200 |
| Underlying pre-tax profit¹ | 3,575 | 1,360 |
| Reconciliation of average total shareholders' equity to average active equity | | |
| Average total shareholders' equity | 28,940 | 36,789 |
| Average unrealized net gains on securities available for sale, net of applicable tax effects | (810) | (4,842) |
| Average dividends | (756) | (701) |
| Average active equity¹ | 27,374 | 31,246 |
| Pre-tax return on average total shareholders' equity ² | 10% | 10% |
| Underlying pre-tax return on average active equity ³ | 13% | 4% |

¹ For the year ended December 31, 2003, underlying pre-tax profit and average active equity increased (decreased) 163 % and (12) %, respectively. Income before income taxes and average total shareholders' equity decreased 22 % and 21 %, respectively.

² Income before income taxes divided by average total shareholders' equity.

³ Underlying pre-tax profit divided by average active equity.

Group Five-Year Record

| Balance Sheet in € m. | 2003 | 2002 | 2001 | 2000 | 1999 |
|---|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|
| Total Assets | 803,614 | 758,355 | 918,222 | 928,994 | 875,789 |
| Loans, net | 144,946 | 167,303 | 259,838 | 274,660 | 254,173 |
| Liabilities | 775,412 | 728,364 | 878,029 | 885,311 | 843,438 |
| Total shareholders' equity | 28,202 | 29,991 | 40,193 | 43,683 | 32,351 |
| Tier I risk-based capital (BIS) ¹ | 21,618 | 22,742 | 24,803 | 23,504 | 17,338 |
| Total risk-based capital (BIS) ¹ | 29,871 | 29,862 | 37,058 | 39,343 | 35,172 |
| Income Statement in € m. | 2003 | 2002 | 2001 | 2000 | 1999 |
| Net interest revenues | 5,847 | 7,186 | 8,620 | 7,028 | 7,994 |
| Provision for loan losses | 1,113 | 2,091 | 1,024 | 478 | 725 |
| Commissions and fee income | 9,332 | 10,834 | 10,727 | 11,693 | 7,967 |
| Trading revenues, net | 5,611 | 4,024 | 6,031 | 7,625 | 2,127 |
| Other noninterest revenues | 478 | 4,503 | 4,163 | 8,133 | 6,944 |
| Total net revenues | 20,155 | 24,456 | 28,517 | 34,001 | 24,307 |
| Compensation and benefits | 10,495 | 11,358 | 13,360 | 13,526 | 9,655 |
| Goodwill amortization/impairment | 114 | 62 | 871 | 771 | 486 |
| Restructuring activities | (29) | 583 | 294 | 125 | 459 |
| Other noninterest expenses | 6,819 | 8,904 | 12,189 | 12,710 | 11,356 |
| Total noninterest expenses | 17,399 | 20,907 | 26,714 | 27,132 | 21,956 |
| Income before income tax expense (benefit) and cumulative effect of accounting changes | 2,756 | 3,549 | 1,803 | 6,869 | 2,351 |
| Income tax expense | 1,327 | 372 | 434 | 2,643 | 1,689 |
| Income tax expense (benefit) from the change in effective tax rate and the reversing effect | 215 | 2,817 | 995 | (9,287) | (951) |
| Cumulative effect of accounting changes, net of tax | 151 | 37 | (207) | - | - |
| Net income | 1,365 | 397 | 167 | 13,513 | 1,613 |
| Key Figures | 2003 | 2002 | 2001 | 2000 | 1999 |
| Basic earnings per share | € 2.44 | € 0.64 | € 0.27 | € 22.00 | € 2.76 |
| Diluted earnings per share | € 2.31 | € 0.63 | € 0.27 | € 21.72 | € 2.74 |
| Dividends paid per share in period | € 1.30 | € 1.30 | € 1.30 | € 1.15 | € 1.12 |
| Return on average total shareholders' equity (RoE) ² | 4.7% | 1.1% | 2.3% | 41.4% | - |
| Adjusted return on average active shareholders' equity ³ | 5.2% | 10.2% | 7.1% | 20.1% | - |
| Cost/income ratio ⁴ | 81.8% | 78.8% | 87.6% | 76.5% | - |
| Price/earnings ratio | 28.44 | 69.68 | 294.07 | 4.12 | 30.56 |
| BIS core capital ratio (Tier I) ¹ | 10.0% | 9.6% | 8.1% | 7.8% | 5.9% |
| BIS capital ratio (Tier I + II + III) ¹ | 13.9% | 12.6% | 12.1% | 13.1% | 12.0% |
| Employees (full-time equivalents) | 67,682 | 77,442 | 86,524 | 89,784 | 87,702 |

¹ For 2003, 2002, 2001 and 2000 on the basis of U.S. GAAP, for 1999 on the basis of IFRS.

² Net income in 2001 is adjusted for amortization of goodwill and other intangible assets.

³ We calculate this adjusted measure of our return on average total shareholders' equity to make it easier to compare us to our competitors. We refer to this adjusted measure as our "return on average active equity". However, this is not a measure of performance under U.S. GAAP and you should not compare our ratio to other companies' ratios without considering the differences in calculation of the ratios. The principal items for which we adjust our ratio are the average unrealized net gains on securities available for sale, net of applicable tax effects. In addition we adjust our average total shareholders' equity for the effect of our paying a dividend once a year following its approval by the general shareholders' meeting. Net income used for this calculation is adjusted for the income tax expense from the change in effective tax rate and the reversing effect, for the effect of accounting changes, and in 2001, adjusted for the amortization of goodwill and other intangible assets.

⁴ Total noninterest expenses (excluding amortization of goodwill and other intangible assets in 2001 and 2000) as a percentage of net interest revenues before provision for loan losses plus noninterest revenues (excluding amortization of negative goodwill in 2001).

Declaration of Backing¹

Deutsche Bank AG ensures, except in the case of political risk, that the following companies are able to meet their contractual liabilities:

DB Investments (GB) Limited, London

Deutsche Asset Management International GmbH,
Frankfurt am Main
(formerly: Deutsche Asset Management GmbH)

Deutsche Asset Management
Investmentgesellschaft mbH
vormals DEGEF Deutsche Gesellschaft für
Fondsverwaltung mbH,
Frankfurt am Main

Deutsche Australia Limited, Sydney

Deutsche Bank Americas Holding Corp.,
New York/USA
(formerly: Deutsche Bank North America Holding
Corp.)

Deutsche Bank Luxembourg S.A.,
Luxembourg

Deutsche Bank (Malaysia) Berhad,
Kuala Lumpur

Deutsche Bank Polska S.A., Warsaw

Deutsche Bank (Portugal), S.A., Lisbon
(formerly: Deutsche Bank de Investimento, S.A.)

Deutsche Bank Rt., Budapest

Deutsche Bank S.A., Buenos Aires

Deutsche Bank S.A. – Banco Alemão,
São Paulo

Deutsche Bank S.A./N.V., Brussels

Deutsche Bank, Sociedad Anónima Española,
Barcelona

Deutsche Bank Società per Azioni, Milan

Deutsche Bank (Suisse) S.A., Geneva

Deutsche Futures Singapore Pte Ltd., Singapore
(formerly: Deutsche Morgan Grenfell Futures Pte Ltd.)

Deutsche Morgan Grenfell Group plc, London

Deutsche Securities Limited, Hong Kong
(formerly: Deutsche Morgan Grenfell Capital Markets
Limited)

Deutsche Securities Asia Limited,
Hong Kong

DWS Holding & Service GmbH,
Frankfurt am Main
(formerly: Deutsche Asset Management Europe
GmbH)

DWS Investment GmbH, Frankfurt am Main
(formerly: DWS Deutsche Gesellschaft für
Wertpapiersparen mbH)

DWS Investment S.A., Luxembourg
(formerly: DB Investment Management S.A.)

OOO Deutsche Bank, Moscow

Schiffshypothekenbank zu Lübeck
Aktiengesellschaft, Hamburg

¹ Companies with which a profit and loss transfer agreement exists are marked in the List of Shareholdings.

Glossary

Adjusted return on average active shareholders' equity

An adjusted measure to make it easier to compare us to our competitors. The principal item for which we adjust our Return on equity is the aggregate unrealized gains and losses (including tax effect) in our portfolio of shareholdings in publicly-listed industrial companies. We include realized gains and losses (net of tax effect) in active equity from the time those shareholdings are sold and the related gains are employed by our businesses. → Return on average total shareholders' equity (RoE).

Alternative assets/investments

Direct investments in → Private equity, venture capital, mezzanine capital, real estate capital investments and investments in leveraged buyout funds, venture capital funds and → Hedge funds.

Asset-backed securities

Particular type of securitized payment receivables in the form of tradable securities. These securities are created by the repackaging of certain financial assets → (Securitization).

Back-testing

Back-testing is used to verify the predictive power of the → Value-at-risk model. Hypothetical daily profits and losses are compared with the estimates we had forecasted using the → Value-at-risk model.

Banking book

All risk positions that are not allocated to the → Trading book.

BIS capital ratio

Key figure for international banks expressing in % the ratio between their capital and their risk-weighted position for regulatory purposes. The minimum total capital ratio to be complied with is 8% and the minimum core capital ratio 4%.

BIS

Bank for International Settlements domiciled in Basel.

Broker/brokerage

Brokers accept orders to buy and sell securities from banks and private investors and execute them on behalf of the customer. For this activity, the broker usually receives a commission.

Buyout

Purchase (in full or in part) of a company or specific corporate activities.

Capital according to BIS

Capital recognized for regulatory purposes according to the Basel Capital Adequacy Accord of 1988 (last amended in January 1996) for international banks.

Total capital consists of:

- core capital or Tier I capital: primarily share capital, reserves and hybrid capital components,
- supplementary capital or Tier II capital: primarily participatory capital, long-term subordinated debt, unrealized gains on listed securities and other inherent loss allowances,
- Tier III capital: mainly short-term subordinated debt and excess Tier II capital.

Supplementary capital is limited to 100% of core capital and the amount of long-term subordinated debt that can be

recognized as supplementary capital is limited to 50% of core capital.

Cash flow statement

Calculation and presentation of the cash flow generated or consumed by a company during a financial year as a result of its business, investing and financing activities, and reconciliation of holdings of cash and cash equivalents (cash reserve) at the beginning and end of a financial year.

Cash management

Refers to the management of liquid assets in dollars, euro and other currencies for companies and financial institutions to optimize financial transactions.

Clearing

The process of transmitting, reconciling and, in some cases, confirming payment orders.

Comprehensive income

Change of equity excluding transactions with shareholders (e.g. dividends, issuance of shares). It consists primarily of net income and → Other comprehensive income.

Confidence level

In the framework of the → Value-at-risk concept it is the level of probability that the loss stated by the → Value-at-risk will arise in the respective interval.

Cost/income ratio

In general: a ratio expressing a company's cost effectiveness which sets operating expenses in relation to operating income. Here: sum of noninterest expenses as a percentage of the aggregate sum of net interest revenues and noninterest revenues.

Country risk

The risk that we may suffer a loss, in any given country, due to political and social unrest, nationalization and expropriation of assets, government repudiation of external indebtedness, exchange controls and currency depreciation or devaluation.

Credit default swap

An agreement between two parties whereby one party pays the other a fixed coupon over a specified term. The other party makes no payment unless a specified credit event such as a default occurs, at which time a payment is made and the swap terminates.

Credit derivatives

Financial instruments with which → Credit risk connected with loans, bonds or other risk-weighted assets or market risk positions is transferred to parties providing protection. This does not alter or re-establish the underlying credit relationship of the original risk-takers (parties selling the credit risks).

Credit risk

Risk that customers may not be able to meet their contractual payment obligations. Credit risk includes default risk, → Country risk and settlement risk.

Custody

Custody and administration of securities as well as additional securities services.

Deferred taxes

Tax charges and accruals allocated for payment in a later financial year. Deferred taxes reflect the temporary differences between assets and liabilities recognized for financial reporting purposes and such

amounts recognized for income tax purposes.

Derivatives

Products whose value derives largely from the price, price fluctuations and price expectations of an underlying instrument (e.g. share, bond, foreign exchange or index). Derivatives include → Swaps, → Options and → Futures.

Earnings per share

Key figure determined according to → U.S. GAAP and expressing a company's net income in relation to the average number of common shares. Apart from basic earnings per share, diluted earnings per share must also be reported if the conversion and exercise of outstanding stock options, share awards and convertible bonds could increase the number of shares.

E-commerce

The total volume of all electronic data exchange in connection with commercial activities: information flows and transactions with products or services. E-commerce covers relations between companies, between companies and public authorities and between companies and private individuals. E-commerce uses various forms of data transmission (telephone, television, data networks).

Economic capital

A figure which states with a high degree of certainty the amount of equity capital we need at any given time to absorb unexpected losses arising from current exposures. It must be clearly distinguished from reported capital and reserves.

Emerging markets

Expanding markets in developing nations, primarily financial markets.

Equity capital markets

Primarily, activities connected with a company's IPO or the placement of new shares. It also covers the privatization of state-owned companies.

Equity method

Valuation method for investments in companies over which significant influence can be exercised regarding operating and financial policies. The pro-rata share of the company's net income (loss) increases (decreases) the carrying value of the investment affecting net income. Distributions decrease the carrying value of the investment without affecting net income.

Event risk scenarios

Scenarios representing important events, e.g. large movements in interest or exchange rates.

Expected loss

Measurement of the default loss to be expected in our loan portfolio within one year on the basis of historical loss data.

Exposure

The amount which the bank may lose in case of losses incurred due to risks taken, e.g. in case of a borrower's or counterparty's default.

Fair value

Amount at which assets or liabilities would be exchanged between knowledgeable, willing and independent counterparties. Fair value is often identical to market price.

Futures

Forward contracts standardized with respect to quantity, quality and delivery date, in which an instrument traded on the money, capital, precious metal or foreign exchange markets is to be delivered or taken receipt of at an agreed price at a certain future time. Cash settlement is often stipulated for such contracts (e.g. futures based on equity indices) to meet the obligation (instead of delivery or receipt of securities).

General business risk

Risk arising from changes in general business conditions, such as market environment, client behavior and technological progress. These factors can affect our earnings if we are unable to adjust quickly to changes in them.

Goodwill

The amount which the buyer of a company pays, taking account of future earnings, over and above the → Fair value of the company's individually identifiable assets and liabilities.

Hedge accounting

Financial reporting of hedging relationships (formation of valuation units) which are subject to certain conditions.

Hedge fund

A fund whose investors are generally institutions and wealthy individuals. Hedge funds can employ strategies which mutual funds are not permitted to use. Examples include short selling, leveraging and → Derivatives. Since there is a legal restriction to a maximum of 100 investors in the U.S.A., the minimum investment is typically U.S.\$ 1 million. Hedge fund returns are often uncorrelated with traditional investment returns.

IFRS (International Financial Reporting Standards)

Accounting standards developed by international associations of accountants, preparers of financial statements and financial experts; these standards ensure comparability of accounting and disclosure not just within the European Union but worldwide. The main objective of such reporting is to present information needed for decision-making by a broad group of parties interested in financial statements, especially investors.

Investment banking

Generic term for capital market-oriented business. This includes primarily the issuing and trading of securities and their → Derivatives, interest and currency management, corporate finance, M&A advisory, structured finance and → Private equity.

Late-stage private equity

Investments in unlisted companies which belong to the category of "more mature" corporate investment opportunities in terms of age and positive cash flow.

Liquidity risk

Risk to our earnings and capital arising from the bank's potential inability to meet matured obligations without incurring unacceptably high losses.

Management buyout

Purchase of a company's entire outstanding shares by its management, thereby ending the company's listing.

Market risk

Arises from the uncertainty concerning

changes in market prices and rates (including interest rates, share prices, foreign exchange rates and commodity prices), the correlations among them and their levels of volatility.

Mark-to-market valuation

Valuation at current market prices. Applies, for instance, to trading activities (→ Trading revenues).

Mezzanine

Mezzanine investments consist primarily of investments in debt securities with an equity component. The debt securities typically rank below the issuer's bank debt but senior to other debt securities, preferred stock and common equity. The equity component usually consists of warrants.

Monte Carlo simulation

A Monte Carlo simulation is a model that calculates the gain or loss from a transaction by analyzing a large number of different market scenarios (e.g. 10,000).

Netting agreements

Contracts between two parties that under certain circumstances – e.g. insolvency – mutual claims from outstanding business can be offset against each other. The inclusion of a legally binding netting agreement reduces the default risk from a gross to a net amount.

Operational risk

Potential for incurring losses in relation to employees, project management, contractual specifications and their documentation, technology, infrastructure failure and disasters, external influences and customer relationships. This definition includes legal and regulatory risk.

Option

Right to purchase (call option) or sell (put option) a specific underlying (e.g. security or foreign exchange) from or to a counterparty (option seller) at a predetermined price on or before a specific future date.

OTC derivatives

Nonstandardized financial instruments (→ Derivatives) not traded on a stock exchange, but directly between market participants (over the counter).

Other comprehensive income

Primarily includes unrealized gains and losses on foreign currency translation and on → Securities available for sale. These unrealized gains and losses are not included in net income but reported in accumulated other comprehensive income in shareholders' equity.

Passive asset management

This business includes funds that track a variety of financial indices worldwide. The objective of passive asset management is to create a portfolio that replicates the risk and total return characteristics of the relevant index while keeping the transaction costs associated with the trading of securities as low as possible.

Personal banking

In general: business with private individuals, self-employed people and small businesses. Here: branch business including complementary distribution channels such as self-service, online banking and cards. It does not include → Private banking.

Portfolio

In general: part or all of one or all categories of asset (e.g. securities, loans, equity investments or real estate). Portfolios are formed primarily to diversify risk. Here: combination of similar transactions, especially in securities and/or → Derivatives, under price risk considerations.

Private banking

Business with investment-oriented and high net worth clients.

Private equity

Equity investment in non-listed companies. Examples are venture capital and buyout funds.

Probability of default

States the expected average probability of counterparty default, based on a statistical analysis of historical defaults in our → Portfolio.

Projected unit credit method

An accrued benefit valuation method, according to SFAS 87, used to determine the actuarial present value of an enterprise's defined benefit obligations and the related current service cost. This method takes into account the expected rates of salary increases, for instance, as the basis for future benefit increases. The rate used to discount post-employment benefit obligations is determined by reference to market yields at the balance sheet date on high quality corporate bonds.

Rating

External: standardized evaluation of issuers' credit standing and debt instruments, carried out by specialized agencies.

Internal: detailed risk assessment of every → Exposure associated with an obligor.

Registered shares

Shares registered in a person's name. As required under joint stock company law, that person is registered in the share register with several personal details and the number of shares owned. Only those persons entered in the share register are deemed to be shareholders of the company and are entitled, for instance, to exercise rights at the General Meeting.

Relationship management

In general: together with product specialists, qualified relationship managers look after selected corporate customers in a defined market segment. Here: a coverage approach in national and international business with corporate customers.

Repo (repurchase agreement)

An agreement to repurchase securities sold (genuine repurchase agreement where the asset remains the seller's property). From the buyer's viewpoint, the transaction is a reverse repo.

Return on average total shareholders' equity (RoE)

In general: ratio showing the income situation of a company, setting profit (net income) in relation to capital employed. Here: net income as a percentage of average capital employed over the year → Adjusted return on average active shareholders' equity.

Risk position according to BIS

The risk position according to → BIS is

made up of risk-weighted assets, comprising above all the counterparty risks in the → Banking book and the → Trading book, and the market risk equivalent for interest, foreign exchange, equity and commodity price risks. While the risk-weighted assets are calculated on the basis of regulatory standard methods, the market risk equivalent corresponds to 12.5 times our → Value-at-risk figure (99% → Confidence level and 10 days holding period), which is calculated on the basis of our regulatorily recognized internal models and scaled up with a bank-specific multiplier (at least 3).

Securities available for sale

Securities which are not held for trading purposes and (in case of debt securities) are not held to maturity. They are reported in the balance sheet at their → Fair value. Changes in → Fair value are generally reported in → Other comprehensive income in shareholders' equity. Declines in → Fair value below their amortized cost that are deemed to be other than temporary and realized gains and losses are reported in the consolidated statement of income.

Securitization

In general: rights evidenced by securities (e.g. shares or bonds).

Here: replacing loans or financing various kinds of claims by issuing securities (such as bonds or commercial paper).

Segment information

Disclosure of a company's assets and income, broken down by activity (division) and geographical area (region).

Shareholder value

Management concept that focuses strategic and operational decision-making on the steady growth of a company's value. The guiding principle is that only returns above the cost of capital add value for shareholders.

Swaps

In general: exchange of one payment flow for another.

Interest rate swap: exchange of interest payment flows in the same currency with different terms and conditions (e.g. fixed or floating).

Currency swap: exchange of interest payment flows and principal amounts in different currencies.

Trading book

A bank-regulatory term for positions in financial instruments, shares and tradable claims held by a bank which are intended for resale in the short term to benefit from price and interest rate fluctuations. This also includes business that is closely associated with trading book positions (e.g. for hedging purposes). Risk positions

not belonging to the trading book are shown in the → Banking book.

Trading revenues

Balance of realized and unrealized gains and losses on the positions held in the trading portfolio and net interest revenues on → Derivatives held for trading purposes. Trading generally reflects frequent buying and selling, i.e. the positions are taken with the objective of generating profits on short-term differences in price.

Transaction services

Comprise custody, global funds services, securities lending, corporate trust and agency services, clearing, balance sheet and cash management services, trade and payment services, structured export finance and international trade finance. They also include trustee services, retirement funds administration and portfolio measurement.

Trust preferred securities

Hybrid capital instruments characterized by profit-related interest payments. Under banking regulations they are part of core capital if interest payments are not accumulated in case of losses (non cumulative trust preferred securities) and if the instruments do not have a stated maturity date or if they are not redeemable at the option of the holder. Otherwise they are included in supplementary capital (e.g. cumulative trust preferred securities).

U.S. GAAP (United States Generally Accepted Accounting Principles)

U.S. accounting principles drawn up by the Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) and the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants (AICPA). In addition, the interpretations and explanations furnished by the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) are particularly relevant for companies listed on the stock exchange. As in the case of → IFRS the main objective is to provide decision useful information, especially for investors.

Value-at-risk

Value-at-risk measures, for a given → Portfolio, the potential future loss (in terms of market value) that, under normal market conditions, will not be exceeded in a given period and with a given → Confidence level.

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| April 30, 2004 | Interim Report as at March 31, 2004 |
| June 2, 2004 | General Meeting in the Festhalle Frankfurt am Main (Exhibition Center) |
| June 3, 2004 | Dividend payment |
| July 30, 2004 | Interim Report as at June 30, 2004 |
| October 29, 2004 | Interim Report as at September 30, 2004 |
| February 3, 2005 | Publication of figures for the 2004 financial year |
| April 29, 2005 | Interim Report as at March 31, 2005 |
| May 18, 2005 | General Meeting in the Festhalle Frankfurt am Main (Exhibition Center) |
| May 19, 2005 | Dividend payment |
| July 29, 2005 | Interim Report as at June 30, 2005 |
| October 28, 2005 | Interim Report as at September 30, 2005 |

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Management Report

In 2003 we came a decisive step closer to our goal of thoroughly transforming the bank by implementing our strategic initiatives. We achieved – and, in some cases, comfortably exceeded – the targets we had set ourselves for the first stage of our management agenda. The implementation of stage two, which we intend to use as a basis for profitable growth, started in the middle of last year. We made further progress with our policy of focusing on our core business and cutting our operating costs. We will be rigorous in continuing this strategy in the current year. We improved the quality of our credit portfolio thanks to our effective risk management. The nascent economic recovery should enable us to further scale back our risk provisioning.

In the spring of last year we successfully completed our share repurchase programme, retiring 40 million shares. This amounted to 6.4% of our share capital. In September 2003 we utilized the authorization given by the most recent General Meeting to launch a new share repurchase programme that allows us to repurchase up to 10% of our outstanding shares.

Deutsche Bank AG generated net income of € 0.8 billion in 2003. We will propose to the General Meeting on June 2, 2004 that a dividend of € 1.50 per share be paid (€ 1.30 per share in 2002). The increase in our dividend reflects our confidence in the abilities of our employees and the soundness of our business model. It also underlines our firm belief that we can continue to strengthen the bank's performance.

Profit and loss account

Total income – consisting of net interest income, net commission income and net income from financial transactions – came to € 11,138 million after € 14,376 million in 2002. The main reason for the 22.5% decline was the 58.2% decrease in net interest income to € 3,264 million, which in 2002 had been boosted by substantial non-recurrent items resulting from the disposal of industrial holdings.

Consequently, income from shareholdings in affiliated companies fell by € 3.5 billion (74.2%) to € 1,208 million. Of the income from profit-pooling, profit-transfer and partial profit-transfer agreements totalling € 1,043 million (a decrease of € 303 million), € 526 million related to Deutsche Bank Privat- und Geschäftskunden AG, € 314 million to DB Capital Markets (Deutschland) GmbH, and € 107 million to DB Export-Leasing GmbH.

At € 4,326 million, net commission income made the largest contribution to total income. It declined year on year by € 347 million, or 7.4%. The performance of commission income varied from business to business. Commissions from services rendered for subsidiaries were lower. In addition, income from asset management and international business decreased. Commissions from equity brokerage, bond issues and agency business performed encouragingly.

Net interest income below the extraordinarily high 2002 figure

Net commission income down

| | |
|--|--|
| Successful trading business | Our trading business was particularly successful. Net income from financial transactions improved by 88.3% to € 3,548 million. Income from trading in equities and equity derivatives increased on the back of the performance of the international stock markets. |
| Moderate rise in costs | <p>Administrative expense grew by € 506 million (5.4%) to € 9,945 million; the staff expenses contained therein rose by € 368 million to € 5,500 million. The main reason for this was the € 290 million increase in additions to pension provisions. This expense stems largely from the one-off effect of converting defined-benefit pension schemes to defined-contribution schemes.</p> <p>Other administrative expenses grew by € 197 million (5.0%) to € 4,148 million. This increase was largely a result of our greater utilization of services rendered by our subsidiaries and the rising expenditure on buildings in connection with the reduction of redundant office space. By contrast, our communications costs and business operating costs were considerably lower year on year.</p> <p>Write-downs, depreciation and amortization of tangible and intangible assets came to € 297 million (2002: € 364 million).</p> <p>The balance of other operating income/expenses resulted in net income of € 234 million. This includes the proceeds from the disposal of our Global Securities Services business.</p> |
| Sharp decrease in risk provisioning | <p>Write-downs of and value adjustments to claims and certain securities as well as additions to provisions for possible loan losses are reported at € 363 million (2002: € 1,842 million) after having been offset against income pursuant to section 340f (3) of the German Commercial Code (HGB). The reduction in our risk provisioning reflects an improvement in the quality of our credit portfolio and the nascent economic recovery.</p> <p>Portions of our provision for latent risks in our lending business (general value adjustment) were released. After an expense of € 548 million had been incurred in 2002, net income of € 117 million was earned on securities of the liquidity reserve (certain securities).</p> |
| Operating profit | The bank generated an operating profit of € 1,064 million during the year under review. On balance, exchange rate movements had no material impact on this result. |
| Other expenses | Write-downs of and value adjustments to participating interests, shares in affiliated companies and securities treated as fixed assets came to € 807 million after having been offset against income pursuant to section 340c (2) HGB. The expense principally concerns value adjustments to participating interests and shares in affiliated companies. |
| Taxes | The reported tax benefit of € 708 million largely stems from the release of tax provisions; this release had become necessary following a decision by Germany's Federal Fiscal Court on a legal issue of great importance to the entire financial services industry, as a result of which these provisions were unlikely to be utilized. |

As in 2002, the bank earned net income of € 820 million during the year under review. € 780 million of the reserve for the bank's own shares was released owing to its smaller holdings of its own shares; we transferred this amount to the other revenue reserves.

Net income unchanged

Including the profit of € 53 million carried forward from 2002, the distributable profit comes to € 873 million. We propose to our shareholders that this distributable profit be appropriated to pay an increased dividend of € 1.50 (2002: € 1.30) per share.

Proposed appropriation of profit: raise dividend

This increased the total dividend payout by € 117 million; on the other hand, this payout was reduced by € 52 million owing to the retirement of 40 million shares as part of the share repurchase programme.

From the profit and loss account of Deutsche Bank AG:

| in € m. | 2003 | 2002 | Change | |
|---|--------------|----------------|----------------|---------------|
| | | | in € m. | in % |
| Interest income ¹ | 16,371 | 18,706 | - 2,335 | - 12.5 |
| Current income ² | 2,676 | 6,691 | - 4,015 | - 60.0 |
| Total interest income | 19,047 | 25,397 | - 6,350 | - 25.0 |
| Interest expenses | 15,783 | 17,579 | - 1,796 | - 10.2 |
| Net interest income | 3,264 | 7,818 | - 4,554 | - 58.2 |
| Commission income | 5,477 | 5,512 | - 35 | - 0.6 |
| Commission expenses | 1,151 | 839 | + 312 | + 37.1 |
| Net commission income | 4,326 | 4,673 | - 347 | - 7.4 |
| Net income from financial transactions | 3,548 | 1,885 | + 1,663 | + 88.3 |
| Wages and salaries | 4,278 | 4,182 | + 96 | + 2.3 |
| Compulsory social security contributions ³ | 1,222 | 950 | + 272 | + 28.6 |
| Staff expenses | 5,500 | 5,132 | + 368 | + 7.2 |
| Other administrative expenses ⁴ | 4,445 | 4,307 | + 138 | + 3.2 |
| Administrative expense | 9,945 | 9,439 | + 506 | + 5.4 |
| Balance of other operating income/expenses | 234 | - 374 | + 608 | |
| Risk provisioning | 363 | 1,842 | - 1,479 | - 80.3 |
| Operating profit | 1,064 | 2,721 | - 1,657 | - 60.9 |
| Balance of other income/expenses | - 920 | - 2,167 | + 1,247 | |
| Net income before taxes | 144 | 554 | - 410 | - 73.9 |
| Taxes | - 676 | - 266 | - 410 | |
| Net income | 820 | 820 | 0 | |
| Profit carried forward from the previous year | 53 | 8 | + 45 | |
| | 873 | 828 | + 45 | + 5.4 |
| Withdrawal from revenue reserves | 780 | 1,226 | - 446 | |
| - from the reserve for own shares | 780 | - | + 780 | |
| - from other revenue reserves | - | 1,226 | - 1,226 | |
| Allocations to revenue reserves | 780 | 1,246 | - 466 | |
| - to the reserve for own shares | - | 1,246 | - 1,246 | |
| - to other revenue reserves | 780 | - | + 780 | |
| Distributable profit | 873 | 808 | + 65 | + 8.0 |

¹ From lending and money market business, fixed-income securities and government-inscribed debt.
² From equity shares and other variable-yield securities, participating interests, shares in affiliated companies (including profit and loss transfer agreements) and leasing business.
³ Including expenses for pensions and other employee benefits.
⁴ Including standard depreciation of tangible assets.

Balance sheet

The total assets of Deutsche Bank AG grew by € 41.5 billion during the year under review to € 742.4 billion due to an increase in securities holdings, compared to a decrease of € 30.3 billion in 2002. Exchange rate movements, particularly in the U.S. dollar, considerably dampened this volume growth.

Total credit extended

Total credit extended (excluding reverse repos and claims arising from securities lending and securities spot deals) declined by € 8.7 billion to € 183.8 billion, after which it accounted for just under one quarter of the bank's total assets (end of 2002: 27.5%). This decrease took place solely at our branches outside Germany. Credit totalling € 159.0 billion (decrease of € 10.0 billion) was extended to corporate and institutional customers, while loans to private and small business clients came to € 5.4 billion (down by € 1.2 billion); loans to banks, which form part of the total credit extended, increased by € 3.0 billion to € 16.1 billion.

The table below gives a breakdown of the total credit extended (excluding reverse repos and claims arising from securities lending and securities spot deals):

| in € bn. | 31.12.2003 | 31.12.2002 | Change | |
|------------------------------|--------------|--------------|---------------|---------------|
| | | | in € bn. | in % |
| Claims on customers | 167.2 | 179.2 | - 12.0 | - 6.7 |
| with a residual period of | | | | |
| up to 5 years ¹ | 147.2 | 163.8 | - 16.6 | - 10.2 |
| over 5 years | 20.0 | 15.4 | + 4.6 | + 30.0 |
| Discounts² | 0.5 | 0.2 | + 0.3 | |
| Loans to banks | 16.1 | 13.1 | + 3.0 | + 22.1 |
| with a residual period of | | | | |
| up to 5 years ¹ | 14.2 | 10.3 | + 3.9 | + 37.3 |
| over 5 years | 1.9 | 2.8 | - 0.9 | - 33.1 |
| Total | 183.8 | 192.5 | - 8.7 | - 4.5 |

¹ Including those repayable on demand and those with an indefinite period.
² Unless reported under claims.

Claims on banks (excluding loans) remained virtually unchanged at € 126.9 billion (down by € 0.3 billion). These include claims of € 46.6 billion on the Group's own banks. The total volume of reverse repos – including transactions concluded with customers – grew to € 149.5 billion (up by € 8.4 billion).

Liabilities to banks increased by € 34.7 billion to € 323.4 billion as a result of higher balances on clearing accounts repayable on demand at our foreign branches; our Group banks' deposits included in this figure came to € 85.0 billion (decrease of € 6.5 billion).

Securities

Holdings of securities were substantially increased due to the growth in trading activity. Our holdings of bonds and other fixed-income securities grew by € 31.4 billion to € 143.5 billion, while our holdings of equity shares and other variable-yield securities expanded by € 36.5 billion to € 74.5 billion. The majority of these were trading securities.

The shareholdings reported under participating interests declined by € 1.3 billion to € 1.2 billion. Additions of € 0.7 billion to our portfolio of participating interests were more than offset by disposals and necessary value adjustments totalling € 2.0 billion.

Participating interests

Shares in affiliated companies are reported at € 34.7 billion (decrease of € 0.1 billion). Additions and disposals (including necessary value adjustments) more or less balanced each other out.

Shares in affiliated companies

The General Meeting on June 10, 2003 adopted a resolution to launch a further share buy-back programme, which allows up to 10% of our outstanding shares to be repurchased. Under this resolution, the bank had repurchased 16.5 million of its own shares by the end of 2003. Together with its other holdings of shares, which are used for trading purposes, the bank held a total of 16.7 million of its own shares on December 31, 2003 (year-end 2002: 39.7 million).

Own shares

After additions totalling € 22.6 billion, customer deposits amounted to € 276.6 billion. Of the new deposits taken, € 13.7 billion related to time deposits and € 8.0 billion to deposits repayable on demand. Savings deposits grew substantially by € 0.9 billion (61 %) to € 2.5 billion.

Customer deposits

Liabilities in certificate form increased on balance by € 5.6 billion to € 75.2 billion; redemptions of money market instruments (certificates of deposit) totalled € 2.1 billion, while other liabilities in certificate form (especially index-linked certificates) amounting to € 7.7 billion were raised.

The table below gives a breakdown of the bank's liabilities:

| in € bn. | 31.12.2003 | 31.12.2002 | Change | |
|--|--------------|--------------|---------------|---------------|
| | | | in € bn. | in % |
| Liabilities to banks | 323.4 | 288.7 | + 34.7 | + 12.0 |
| repayable on demand | 178.4 | 132.7 | + 45.7 | + 34.4 |
| with agreed period or notice period | 145.0 | 156.0 | - 11.0 | - 7.0 |
| Liabilities to customers | 276.6 | 254.0 | + 22.6 | + 8.9 |
| savings deposits | 2.5 | 1.6 | + 0.9 | + 61.1 |
| other liabilities | | | | |
| repayable on demand | 101.9 | 93.9 | + 8.0 | + 8.5 |
| with agreed period or notice period | 172.2 | 158.5 | + 13.7 | + 8.6 |
| Liabilities in certificate form | 75.2 | 69.6 | + 5.6 | + 8.1 |
| bonds and notes in issue | 25.3 | 25.3 | - | - |
| other liabilities in certificate form | 49.9 | 44.3 | + 5.6 | + 12.6 |
| (thereof: money market instruments) | (24.1) | (26.2) | (-2.1) | (- 8.0) |

Subordinated liabilities increased by € 1.5 billion to € 9.0 billion owing to the bank's issuance of its own bonds.

Capital and reserves

The capital and reserves of Deutsche Bank AG (including distributable profit, which increased by € 0.1 billion to € 0.9 billion) decreased by € 1.6 billion to € 20.0 billion. During the year under review, the Board of Managing Directors utilized the authorization it had been granted by the General Meeting to retire some of the bank's own shares under the share buy-back programme. It retired a total of 40 million shares worth € 1.7 billion.

€ 0.8 billion of the reserve for the bank's own shares was released owing to its smaller holdings of its own shares compared to year-end 2002; we transferred this amount to the other revenue reserves.

Regulatory capital and reserves as defined by the German Banking Act (KWG) totalled € 23.8 billion. These mainly consist of equity capital and reserves (as defined by the German Commercial Code) and subordinated liabilities recognized as supplementary capital (Tier II).

Risk report

Deutsche Bank AG is exposed to credit, market, liquidity, operational and business risks.

The impact of the above risks on Deutsche Bank AG cannot be isolated from the effects on Deutsche Bank's other separate legal entities. There are several reasons for this:

- The Group's internal structure according to Group Divisions is determined by its customers' needs, in other words by the framework dictated by the market. The external legal structure is determined by local legislation and therefore does not necessarily follow the internal structure. For example, local legislation can determine whether the Group's business in a certain country is handled by a branch of Deutsche Bank AG or by a separate subsidiary. However, the management has to monitor the risks in the bank's business – irrespective of whether it is transacted by a branch or a subsidiary.
- Adequate risk monitoring and management requires knowledge of the extent to which the Group's profit situation depends on the development of certain risk factors, i.e. on the creditworthiness of individual customers or securities issuers or on movements in market prices. The respective exposures therefore need to be analyzed across legal entities. Especially for the credit risk attached to a borrower, it is fairly irrelevant whether the credit exposure to a company is spread over several Group companies or concentrated on Deutsche Bank AG. Separate monitoring of the risk affecting Deutsche Bank AG alone would neglect the potential hazard facing the Group and, indirectly, Deutsche Bank AG – as the parent – if the company became insolvent.
- Individual risk factors are sometimes correlated, and in some cases they operate independently of each other. If estimates of the nature and extent of this correlation are available, the Group's management can greatly reduce the overall risk by diversifying its businesses across customer groups, issuers and countries. The risk correlation is also independent of the Group's legal and divisional structure. The management can therefore only optimize the risk-mitigating effects of diversification if it manages them Group-wide and across legal entities.

For the reasons mentioned, the identification, monitoring and management of all risks in Deutsche Bank AG are integrated into the Group-wide risk management process. It goes without saying that Deutsche Bank AG complies with all legal and regulatory requirements.

The Board of Managing Directors provides overall risk management oversight for the consolidated Group as a whole. The Group Chief Risk Officer, who is a member of our Board of Managing Directors, is responsible for all risk management activities within the consolidated Group. He chairs our Group Risk Committee, which has responsibility for managing the risk within the Group.

Types of risk

The risks of Deutsche Bank AG within the Group network

Risk management of Deutsche Bank AG within the Group network

Risk management organization

Risk management tools

Deutsche Bank uses a comprehensive range of quantitative tools and metrics for monitoring and managing risks. Some of these tools are common to a number of risk categories, while others are tailored to the particular features of specific risk categories. These quantitative tools and metrics generate the following kinds of information:

- Information that quantifies the susceptibility of the market value of single positions or portfolios to changes in market parameters (commonly referred to as sensitivity analysis).
- Information that measures aggregate risk using statistical techniques, taking into account the interdependencies and correlations between individual risks.
- Information that quantifies exposures to losses that could arise from extreme movements in market prices or rates, using scenario analysis to simulate crisis situations.

Deutsche Bank's policies and risk limits are aligned with such quantitative tools and metrics across the Group Divisions to effectively manage risks.

Figures prescribed by the regulatory authority

The risk position and capital and reserves must be calculated for regulatory assessment of the bank's capacity to assume risk.

Risk position

The risk position is the total risk the bank has assumed, which is calculated according to regulations by risk-weighting the assets for credit risk and market risk. The German Federal Financial Supervisory Authority permits us to use our proprietary value-at-risk approach to calculate the market risk component. The bank's risk position must be backed by capital such that the required regulatory capital ratios are maintained.

Regulatory capital and reserves

Regulatory capital and reserves consist of core capital (Tier I), supplementary capital (Tier II) and Tier III capital.

Information on the types of risk

The following sections give information on the types of risk.

Market risk

Deutsche Bank manages the market risks arising from all of the trading portfolios in the Corporate and Investment Bank Group Division. The interest rate risk from the (nontrading) banking book is managed by the Global Markets Finance business within the Corporate and Investment Bank Group Division. The only market risks not managed in the Corporate and Investment Bank Group Division are those arising from the nontrading equity and fund positions and certain subsidiaries. Deutsche Bank uses risk limits in the management of its market risks, together with a number of risk tools, including risk sensitivities, value-at-risk, stress testing and economic capital metrics. The Board of Managing Directors and the Group Risk Committee, supported by Group Market Risk Management, as part of the independent risk management function, sets a Group-wide value-at-risk limit for the trading book market risks. Group Market Risk Management sub-allocates this overall limit to the Group Divisions and below that to specific business lines and trading portfolio groups and geographical regions.

All Group Divisions of Deutsche Bank AG assume credit risk. Group credit risk is managed via the Group Risk Committee and those responsible for risk management in the Group Divisions.

Credit risk

Liquidity risk management is the responsibility of Group Treasury. It is based on the analysis of all cash flows by business division, product, currency and location. The management process includes monitoring and limiting of aggregated cash outflows and funding. Diversification effects and customer concentration are observed. In addition we apply regular scenario analysis in order to determine potential liquidity stresses due to unexpected bank-specific or external events and how to compensate them.

Liquidity risk

Responsibility for operational risk management essentially lies with the Corporate Divisions. The Group Chief Risk Officer appointed a Chief Operational Risk Officer. He is represented on the Group Risk Committee and is Chairman of the Group Operational Risk Committee. The Operational Risk Management functions of the Corporate Divisions are part of our independent Operational Risk Management function and report to the Chief Operational Risk Officer.

Operational risk

From a regulatory point of view, the risk positions according to Principle I (risk-weighted assets of the banking book, default risk of the trading book and market risk equivalent) are as shown in the following table. Their calculation is based on the provisions of the German Banking Act (KWG), Principle I and the German Commercial Code (HGB).

Overall risk position according to supervisory law

The table below shows the risk positions according to Principle I:

| in € m. | 31.12.2003 | 31.12.2002 |
|---|----------------|----------------|
| Risk-weighted assets of the banking book | 152,065 | 144,631 |
| Market risk equivalent and default risk of the trading book | 52,379 | 51,669 |
| Total | 204,444 | 196,300 |

Capital and reserves according to the German Banking Act, which are calculated on the basis of the German Commercial Code, are as shown:

Capital and reserves

| in € m. | 31.12.2003 | 31.12.2002 |
|--|---------------|---------------|
| Core capital (Tier I) | 17,542 | 18,046 |
| Supplementary capital (Tier II) | 8,786 | 7,139 |
| Items deducted pursuant to § 10 (6) German Banking Act | (2,578) | (2,920) |
| Available Tier III capital | – | – |
| Total eligible own funds | 23,750 | 22,265 |
| Liable capital ratio | 15.6% | 15.4% |
| Overall ratio | 11.6% | 11.3% |

With an overall ratio of 11.6%, Deutsche Bank AG is well above the minimum ratio of 8% prescribed by the German Banking Act.

Outlook

Throughout 2003 stability and confidence returned to the global economy and to the financial markets. At the beginning of 2004 most leading indicators point to a further acceleration of global economic activity, which is reflected in robust global equity markets. The U.S. economy will continue to be the mainstay of global growth. After growing a healthy 3% in 2003, U.S. gross domestic product (GDP) is seen to expand by some 4% in the current year based on rising investment and employment. The recovery in the euro zone should broaden in 2004 as private consumption will benefit from lower inflation, supported by the strength of the euro. German GDP growth in 2004 could reach 2% bringing it slightly above the euro zone's average. This, however, requires some pick-up in consumption which has remained sluggish so far. Recent updates to business surveys have shown that despite the strength of the world economy the appreciation of the euro is providing a damper for activity in the industrial sector.

Risks arise mainly from the U.S. where the transition to a self-sustained growth in 2005 might fail, leading to a current-account-induced U.S. dollar crisis, putting the potential adjustment burden on the rest of the world. Finally, risk premiums in the credit markets have dropped to levels which make financial markets extremely vulnerable to shocks from, among other factors, the developments in the Middle East or terrorism.

For Deutsche Bank, 2003 was a year when the results of our transformation program were reflected in our bottom line and the progressing development of our franchise received positive recognition from the markets. But we have also used the previous year to lay the ground for the next phase of our strategy: building a springboard for growth.

In our Corporate and Investment Bank (CIB) we have launched systematic growth initiatives to further strengthen the franchise, such as closing the product and distribution gap between us and the top three players in all aspects of U.S. fixed income in Global Markets; expanding structured products in the U.S. and into Asia/Pacific for Global Equities; further building our U.S. mergers & acquisitions, equity capital markets and debt products business within Global Corporate Finance; introducing market-based-loan pricing in our Global Banking Division; and selling risk management products through Global Trade Finance in Global Transaction Banking.

We are also determined to generate further profitable growth in Private Clients and Asset Management (PCAM). We will continue our efforts to increase efficiency and optimize the product and service range. A comprehensive portfolio of business initiatives is aimed at capturing additional profit growth potential. Our Asset Management Business Division aims to increase our client base and build our brand and culture from within a strictly-controlled cost environment. Going forward, our Private Wealth Management Business Division intends to increase invested assets, revenues, and overall contribution to the bottom line of the Group. Our Private & Business Clients Corporate Division aims to deliver profitable growth through attracting and keeping clients, and team building. The business seeks to attract and keep customers by serving them throughout their lives, and matching the right advisor with the right offering to the right customer.

In Corporate Investments, we expect to continue to reduce our exposure to non-core activities in 2004 through a continuation of our strategy of opportunistic realization whilst preserving/enhancing value in the portfolio as a whole. This will allow us to re-deploy capital and other resources back into our core client businesses.

Risk discipline made significant progress in 2003 and we expect further progress to be supported by improving economic conditions in 2004. We will continue to closely manage risk-weighted assets. We will increasingly use hedging strategies and securitization structures to the extent that they enable us to manage economic risk and risk-weighted assets in efficient ways. We will expand our use of market-based loan pricing. With support of this pricing framework, we will continue to reallocate our balance sheet towards more profitable customer relationships.

Continued cost discipline will remain a clear priority and we are committed to maintain our rigorous attitude to reducing our cost base, constantly improving the efficiency of our businesses, infrastructure platforms and internal processes. We are confident we can attain this goal as the impact of earlier cost cutting measures become fully visible in the current financial year and as additional cuts in infrastructure costs are made.

Capital management will be further supported by our continued determination to return capital to shareholders. Given the current strength of our core capital ratio, we are very confident that also our second program will successfully support our strategic targets, without compromising our strong capitalization.

Our transformation strategy lays a solid foundation for continued growth. We have set aggressive but realistic targets for phase two of our management agenda.

The year 2004 has started well for us, and we are confident that, if the world's economies and financial markets continue to develop positively, our growth objectives are achievable.

Balance Sheet

of Deutsche Bank AG as at December 31, 2003

| Assets in € m. | | 31.12.2003 | 31.12.2002 |
|---|--------|----------------|----------------|
| Cash reserve | | | |
| a) cash on hand | | 16 | 18 |
| b) balances with central banks | | 5,579 | 9,470 |
| thereof: with Deutsche Bundesbank | 3,935 | | (8,301) |
| c) balances with post office banks | | — | — |
| | | 5,595 | 9,488 |
| Debt instruments of public-sector entities and bills of exchange eligible for refinancing at central banks | | | |
| a) Treasury bills, discountable Treasury notes and similar debt instruments of public-sector entities | | 1,530 | 542 |
| thereof: eligible for refinancing at Deutsche Bundesbank | 333 | | (169) |
| b) bills of exchange | | 538 | 167 |
| thereof: eligible for refinancing at Deutsche Bundesbank | 474 | | (70) |
| | | 2,068 | 709 |
| Claims on banks | | | |
| a) repayable on demand | | 68,038 | 69,237 |
| b) other claims | | 74,937 | 71,158 |
| thereof: reverse repos | 52,041 | | 140,395 |
| | | 142,975 | (49,829) |
| Claims on customers | | 288,935 | 286,437 |
| thereof: secured by mortgage charges | 3,820 | | (5,336) |
| loans to or guaranteed by public-sector entities | 2,553 | | (3,455) |
| reverse repos | 97,431 | | (91,287) |
| Bonds and other fixed-income securities | | | |
| a) money market instruments | | | |
| aa) of public-sector issuers | | 1,092 | 603 |
| ab) of other issuers | | 5,955 | 5,917 |
| thereof: eligible as collateral for Deutsche Bundesbank advances | 93 | | (—) |
| | | 7,047 | 6,520 |
| b) bonds and notes | | | |
| ba) of public-sector issuers | | 58,770 | 44,516 |
| thereof: eligible as collateral for Deutsche Bundesbank advances | 38,474 | | (28,868) |
| bb) of other issuers | | 76,126 | 57,222 |
| thereof: eligible as collateral for Deutsche Bundesbank advances | 13,571 | | (12,741) |
| | | 134,896 | 101,738 |
| c) own debt instruments | | 1,543 | 3,853 |
| nominal amount | 1,770 | | (3,721) |
| | | 143,486 | 112,111 |
| Equity shares and other variable-yield securities | | 74,523 | 38,066 |
| Participating interests | | 1,156 | 2,496 |
| thereof: in banks | 334 | | (476) |
| in financial services institutions | 6 | | (3) |
| Shares in affiliated companies | | 34,676 | 34,775 |
| thereof: in banks | 5,357 | | (5,352) |
| in financial services institutions | 960 | | (985) |
| Assets held on a trust basis | | 944 | 527 |
| thereof: loans on a trust basis | 423 | | (489) |
| Intangible assets | | 610 | 702 |
| Tangible assets | | 716 | 1,189 |
| Own shares (accounting par value € 43 million) | | 965 | 1,745 |
| Sundry assets | | 42,049 | 67,107 |
| Tax deferral | | 2,456 | 2,341 |
| Prepaid expenses | | 1,247 | 2,782 |
| Total Assets | | 742,401 | 700,870 |

| Liabilities in € m. | | 31.12.2003 | 31.12.2002 |
|---|----------------|----------------|----------------|
| Liabilities to banks | | | |
| a) repayable on demand | 178,352 | | 132,689 |
| b) with agreed period or notice period | <u>145,006</u> | 323,358 | 156,000 |
| thereof: | | | 288,689 |
| repos | 37,990 | | (42,022) |
| Liabilities to customers | | | |
| a) savings deposits | | | |
| aa) with agreed notice period of three months | 1,567 | | 522 |
| ab) with agreed notice period of more than three months | <u>866</u> | 2,433 | 988 |
| b) other liabilities | | | 1,510 |
| ba) repayable on demand | 101,899 | | 93,933 |
| bb) with agreed period or notice period | <u>172,224</u> | 274,123 | 158,522 |
| thereof: | | 276,556 | 252,455 |
| repos | 52,614 | | 253,965 |
| Liabilities in certificate form | | | |
| a) bonds in issue | 25,322 | | 25,276 |
| b) other liabilities in certificate form | <u>49,838</u> | 75,160 | 44,273 |
| thereof: | | | 69,549 |
| money market instruments | 24,141 | | (26,237) |
| own acceptances and promissory notes in circulation | 29 | | (75) |
| Liabilities held on a trust basis | | 944 | 527 |
| thereof: loans on a trust basis | 423 | | (489) |
| Sundry liabilities | | 28,192 | 46,944 |
| Deferred income | | 593 | 2,200 |
| Provisions | | | |
| a) provisions for pensions and similar obligations | 2,733 | | 2,448 |
| b) provisions for taxes | 1,590 | | 2,301 |
| c) other provisions | <u>3,581</u> | 7,904 | 3,795 |
| | | | 8,544 |
| Special items with partial reserve character | | – | 16 |
| Subordinated liabilities | | 8,965 | 7,458 |
| Participatory capital | | 728 | 1,342 |
| thereof: due in less than two years | 728 | | (1,342) |
| Capital and reserves | | | |
| a) subscribed capital | 1,490 | | 1,592 |
| conditional capital € 226 m. (31.12.2002: € 232 m.) | | | |
| b) capital reserve | 11,062 | | 10,960 |
| c) revenue reserves | | | |
| ca) statutory reserve | 13 | | 13 |
| cb) reserve for own shares | 965 | | 1,745 |
| cc) other revenue reserves | <u>5,598</u> | | 6,518 |
| d) distributable profit | 6,576 | | 8,276 |
| | <u>873</u> | 20,001 | 808 |
| | | | 21,636 |
| Total Liabilities | | 742,401 | 700,870 |
| Contingent liabilities | | | |
| a) contingent liabilities from rediscounted bills of exchange | – | | – |
| b) liabilities from guarantees and indemnity agreements (see also pages 24 and 26) | 23,174 | | 27,983 |
| c) liability arising from the provision of collateral for third-party liabilities | <u>4</u> | 23,178 | – |
| | | | 27,983 |
| Other obligations | | | |
| a) repurchase obligations under agreements to sell securities with an option to repurchase them | – | | – |
| b) placement and underwriting obligations | – | | – |
| c) irrevocable credit commitments | <u>73,360</u> | 73,360 | 78,345 |
| | | | 78,345 |

Profit and Loss Account

of Deutsche Bank AG for the year ended December 31, 2003

| Expenses in € m. | 2003 | 2002 |
|---|---------------|---------------|
| Interest expenses | 15,783 | 17,579 |
| Commission expenses | 1,151 | 839 |
| Administrative expenses | | |
| a) staff expenses | | |
| aa) wages and salaries | 4,278 | 4,182 |
| ab) compulsory social security contributions and expenses for pensions and other employee benefits | <u>1,222</u> | <u>950</u> |
| thereof: for pensions | 603 | 5,132 |
| b) other administrative expenses | <u>4,148</u> | (313) |
| | 9,648 | 3,951 |
| | | 9,083 |
| Write-downs and depreciation of and value adjustments to tangible and intangible assets | 297 | 364 |
| Other operating expenses | 794 | 510 |
| Write-downs of and value adjustments to claims and certain securities as well as additions to provisions for possible loan losses | 363 | 1,842 |
| Write-downs of and value adjustments to participating interests, shares in affiliated companies and securities treated as fixed assets | 807 | 1,846 |
| Expenses from assumption of loss | 156 | 120 |
| Extraordinary expenses | 2 | 223 |
| Income taxes | - 708 | - 303 |
| Other taxes, unless reported under other operating expenses | 32 | 37 |
| Net income | 820 | 820 |
| Total Expenses | 29,145 | 32,960 |

| | 2003 | 2002 |
|--|------------|--------------|
| Net income | 820 | 820 |
| Profit carried forward from the previous year | 53 | 8 |
| | 873 | 828 |
| Withdrawal from revenue reserves | | |
| - from reserve for own shares | 780 | - |
| - from other revenue reserves | <u>-</u> | <u>1,226</u> |
| | 780 | 1,226 |
| Allocations to revenue reserves | | |
| - to reserve for own shares | - | 1,246 |
| - to other revenue reserves | <u>780</u> | <u>-</u> |
| | 780 | 1,246 |
| Distributable profit | 873 | 808 |

| Income in € m. | 2003 | 2002 |
|---|---------------|---------------|
| Interest income from | | |
| a) lending and money market business | 12,999 | 15,279 |
| b) fixed-income securities and government-inscribed debt | <u>3,372</u> | <u>3,427</u> |
| | 16,371 | 18,706 |
| Current income from | | |
| a) equity shares and other variable-yield securities | 200 | 507 |
| b) participating interests | 193 | 161 |
| c) shares in affiliated companies | <u>1,208</u> | <u>4,677</u> |
| | 1,601 | 5,345 |
| Income from profit-pooling, profit-transfer and partial profit-transfer agreements | 1,043 | 1,346 |
| Commission income | 5,477 | 5,512 |
| Net income from financial transactions | 3,548 | 1,885 |
| Other operating income | 1,059 | 136 |
| Income from the release of special items with partial reserve character | 16 | 16 |
| Extraordinary income | 30 | 14 |
| | | |
| | | |
| | | |
| Total Income | 29,145 | 32,960 |

Notes to the Accounts

The annual financial statements of Deutsche Bank AG for the 2003 financial year have been prepared in accordance with the regulations of the Bank Accounting Directives Act (sections 340 ff. of the German Commercial Code (HGB), Statutory Order on Banks' Accounts (RechKredV)); company-law regulations have been complied with. For the sake of clarity, the figures are reported in millions of euros (€).

Basis of presentation

Accounting policies for:

| | |
|--|---|
| Claims | Claims on banks and customers are reported at their nominal amount or at acquisition cost; necessary value adjustments are deducted. |
| Securities | Holdings of bonds and other fixed-income securities and of equity shares and other variable-yield securities are accounted for using the strict lower-of-cost-or-market rule applicable to current assets, i.e. at acquisition cost or market value (if lower) or fair value (if lower). |
| Participating interests, shares in affiliated companies and tangible assets | <p>Participating interests and shares in affiliated companies as well as tangible assets and intangible assets acquired for a consideration are reported at their acquisition or manufacturing cost less any depreciation or amortization. Write-downs are made for any impairments that are likely to be permanent.</p> <p>Securities, participating interests and shares in affiliated companies are written up in the event of impairments that are only temporary pursuant to the requirement to reinstate original values (section 280 (2) HGB). Low-value assets are written off in the year in which they are acquired.</p> <p>The offsetting option available under section 340c (2) HGB has been utilized.</p> |
| Liabilities | Liabilities are recognized at their repayment or nominal amounts. Bonds issued at a discount and similar liabilities are reported at their net present value. |
| Provisions | <p>Provisions for pensions and similar obligations are calculated in accordance with actuarial principles under the entry-age normal method, pursuant to section 6a of the German Income Tax Act, using a discount rate of 6%.</p> <p>Provisions for taxes and other provisions are established in accordance with the principles of prudent commercial judgement in the amount of uncertain liabilities or anticipated losses from pending transactions.</p> |
| Risk provisioning | <p>Provisioning for possible loan losses comprises value adjustments and provisions for all discernible credit and country risks, for inherent default risks and the provision for general banking risks.</p> <p>Provision for credit risks is made in accordance with prudent criteria in the amount of the anticipated default.</p> <p>The transfer risk for loans to borrowers in foreign states (country risk) is assessed using a rating system that takes account of the economic, political and regional situation. Provision is made in accordance with prudent criteria for cross-border exposures to certain countries.</p> |

Provision is made for inherent credit risk in the form of general value adjustments in accordance with commercial-law principles. In addition, general banking risks are provisioned pursuant to section 340f HGB. The option available under section 340f (3) HGB has been utilized.

The prudence principle is applied to the calculation of gains and losses arising from trading activities. Trading in securities, financial instruments (including derivatives), foreign exchange and precious metals is structured – also for accounting purposes – as 'books' or portfolios. An institutionalized risk management system and the application of strict limits lead to a direct adjustment of risk positions, so that market and price risks almost completely offset each other. Gains and losses on portfolios of OTC derivatives and swaps are calculated using the present value method. Gains are recognized *pro rata temporis* for the reporting period; losses are provisioned in full.

In accordance with established principles for the formation of valuation units in proprietary trading, the commercial-law computation of gains on permanently hedged portfolios is based on their market value. Organizational precautions ensure that no unrealized gains arising from open positions are recognized in the profit and loss account.

Currency translation is consistent with the principles set forth in section 340h HGB.

Assets denominated in foreign currency and treated as fixed assets, but not separately covered in the same currency, are shown at historical cost. Other assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currency and outstanding cash deals are translated at the middle spot rate at the balance sheet date, and forward exchange deals at the forward rate at the balance sheet date.

Expenses and income resulting from currency translation have been recognized in the profit and loss account pursuant to section 340h (2) HGB. The items on the balance sheets and the profit and loss accounts of foreign branches are translated into euros at mid-rates at the respective balance sheet dates (reporting date method). Differences resulting from the translation of balance sheet items within the bank – with the exception of exchange-rate losses on the translation of the capital allocated to our foreign branches (including gains and losses carried forward) – are not recognized in income and are allocated to sundry assets or sundry liabilities.

Proprietary trading

Currency translation

Notes to the balance sheet

The marketable securities in the following balance sheet positions are classified as follows:

| in € m. | listed | | unlisted | |
|---|------------|------------|------------|------------|
| | 31.12.2003 | 31.12.2002 | 31.12.2003 | 31.12.2002 |
| Bonds and other fixed-income securities | 119,978 | 94,922 | 23,508 | 17,189 |
| Equity shares and other variable-yield securities | 68,362 | 33,873 | 1,604 | 341 |
| Participating interests | – | 489 | – | 2 |
| Shares in affiliated companies | – | – | 47 | 1,912 |

The item 'Equity shares and other variable-yield securities' (€ 74,523 million) includes € 3,035 million in investment fund units that may only be used to meet pension liabilities to employees and retirees in Germany.

The following schedule shows the changes in fixed assets:

| in € m. | Acquisition/manufacturing costs | | | Depreciation/write-downs and value adjustments | | | Book values | |
|---|---------------------------------|-----------|-----------|--|--------------|-----------|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| | Balance at 1.1.2003 | Additions | Disposals | Cumulative | Current year | Disposals | Balance at 31.12.2003 | Balance at 31.12.2002 |
| Intangible assets | 735 | 11 | 19 | 83 | 51 | 17 | 610 | 702 |
| Tangible assets | 2,590 | 187 | 717 | 1,486 | 246 | 388 | 716 | 1,189 |
| land and buildings | 307 | 14 | 274 | 57 | 4 | 52 | 38 | 286 |
| office furniture and equipment | 2,192 | 173 | 407 | 1,429 | 229 | 333 | 633 | 812 |
| leased equipment | 91 | – | 36 | – | 13 | 3 | 45 | 91 |
| Changes | | | | | | | | |
| Participating interests | | | – 1,340 | | | | 1,156 | 2,496 |
| Shares in affiliated companies | | | – 99 | | | | 34,676 | 34,775 |
| Bonds and other fixed-income securities | | | + 56 | | | | 56 | – |
| Equity shares and other variable-yield securities | | | – 1 | | | | 26 | 27 |
| <small>The option to combine financial investments pursuant to section 34 (3) RechKredV was utilized. Exchange rate changes at foreign branches resulting from currency translation at balance-sheet-date rates were recognized in acquisition/manufacturing costs (balance at January 1, 2003) and in cumulative depreciation/write-downs and value adjustments. Land and buildings with a total book value of € 24 million were used as part of our own activities.</small> | | | | | | | | |

Subordinated assets are reported as follows:

| in € m. | 31.12.2003 | 31.12.2002 |
|---|------------|------------|
| Claims on banks | 1,306 | 2,050 |
| Claims on customers | 343 | 493 |
| Bonds and other fixed-income securities | 689 | 313 |
| Equity shares and other variable-yield securities | – | 47 |

Subordinated assets

The goodwill reported under intangible assets is amortized over its estimated useful life of between five and 15 years.

Intangible assets

Under sundry assets we report in particular entitlements to tax rebates from the tax authorities, premiums paid for option rights and capitalized gains on trading activities, balloon payments arising from swaps, the balance resulting from settlement accounts in connection with swap trading activities, cheques and matured bonds.

Sundry assets

At the end of 2003, a deferral of € 2,456 million was capitalized pursuant to section 274 (2) HGB. It corresponds to the probable tax benefit arising from the differences between commercial-law and tax-law gains and losses based on country-specific tax rates.

Tax deferral

At the end of 2003, sundry liabilities essentially comprised liabilities resulting from trading activities and premiums received for option obligations arising from trading activities. Under this item we also report the distribution on participatory capital proposed for the 2003 financial year, accrued but not yet matured interest on subordinated liabilities, withholding tax to be paid over, translation adjustment losses, and liabilities arising from the assumption of losses.

Sundry liabilities

There are no early-redemption obligations on the part of Deutsche Bank AG for subordinated liabilities. In the event of liquidation or insolvency, the claims and interest claims arising from these liabilities are subordinate to the non-subordinated claims of all creditors of Deutsche Bank AG. These conditions also apply to subordinated borrowings not specified individually.

Subordinated liabilities

Interest expenses for all subordinated liabilities totalled € 442 million. Accrued but not yet matured interest of € 134 million included in this figure is reported under sundry liabilities.

Material subordinated liabilities:

| Currency | Amount | Issuer/type | Interest rate | Maturity |
|----------|---------------|--|---------------|------------|
| € | 750,000,000 | Deutsche Bank Finance N.V., Curaçao/Netherlands Antilles, issue proceeds passed on to us | 5.405% | 27.3.2007 |
| € | 1,100,000,000 | Deutsche Bank AG bond of 2003 | 5.125% | 31.1.2013 |
| € | 1,000,000,000 | Deutsche Bank AG registered bond of 2003 | 5.33% | 19.9.2023 |
| € | 500,000,300 | DB Capital Funding LLC III, Wilmington/U.S.A., issue proceeds passed on to us | 6.60% | 30.6.2029 |
| € | 300,000,000 | Deutsche Bank AG registered bond of 2003 | 3.15% | 2.12.2033 |
| U.S.\$ | 1,100,000,000 | Deutsche Bank Financial Inc., Dover/U.S.A., issue proceeds passed on to us | 6.70% | 13.12.2006 |
| U.S.\$ | 318,000,000 | DB Capital LLC I, Wilmington/U.S.A., issue proceeds passed on to us | 3.10% | 30.3.2009 |
| U.S.\$ | 550,000,000 | Deutsche Bank Financial Inc., Dover/U.S.A., issue proceeds passed on to us | 7.50% | 25.4.2009 |
| U.S.\$ | 250,000,000 | Deutsche Bank Finance N.V., Curaçao/Netherlands Antilles, issue proceeds passed on to us | 1.519% | 30.4.2009 |
| U.S.\$ | 650,000,000 | DB Capital Funding LLC I, Wilmington/U.S.A., issue proceeds passed on to us | 7.872% | 30.6.2009 |
| U.S.\$ | 500,000,000 | Deutsche Bank Finance N.V., Curaçao/Netherlands Antilles, issue proceeds passed on to us | 1.93% | 27.3.2012 |
| U.S.\$ | 800,000,000 | Deutsche Bank Financial Inc., Dover/U.S.A., issue proceeds passed on to us | 5.375% | 2.3.2015 |

Participatory capital

The participatory capital issued amounts to € 0.7 billion as at December 31, 2003. This item comprises the bearer participatory certificates with warrants issued in 1992 amounting to DM 1.4 billion (€ 0.7 billion), which mature at the end of 2003. Redemption will be on June 30, 2004, subject to the stipulations on loss participation. The participatory certificate entitles the bearer to an annual dividend payment of 8.75% of par value, which ranks prior to the profit attributable to shareholders.

The distribution of € 64 million on the participatory capital for the 2003 financial year is reported under sundry liabilities.

The General Meeting on May 17, 1999 authorized the Board of Managing Directors to issue participatory certificates with warrants and/or convertible participatory certificates, bonds with warrants, and convertible bonds up to a total of € 2.5 billion on one or more occasions on or before April 30, 2004; conditional capital of € 80,000,000 is available for this purpose.

Own shares

In the course of 2003, the bank and its affiliated companies bought 520,388,657 Deutsche Bank shares at prevailing market prices and sold 520,796,020 Deutsche Bank shares at prevailing market prices for trading purposes. The purchase of its own shares was based on the authorizations given by the General Meetings on May 22, 2002 and June 10, 2003 pursuant to section 71 (1) number 7 of the German Joint Stock Corporation Act (AktG), whose restrictions were complied with for every share purchase and sale. The authorization given on May 22, 2002 expired once the authorization of June 10, 2003 became effective. The average purchase price was € 50.38 per share; the average selling price was € 50.07. The resulting loss was reported under operating profit.

The bank's own shares bought and sold during 2003 corresponded to roughly 89% of its share capital. The largest holding on any one day was 4.40% and the average daily holding 0.66% of its share capital.

The bank was authorized by the General Meeting resolution of June 10, 2003 to purchase its own shares amounting to up to 10 per cent of its current share capital on or before September 30, 2004 pursuant to section 71 (1) number 8 of the German Joint Stock Corporation Act. Together with the bank's own shares – purchased for trading purposes or for other reasons – that are either in the bank's possession or attributable to it at any one time pursuant to sections 71a ff. of the German Joint Stock Corporation Act, the shares purchased on the basis of this authorization must not at any time exceed 10 per cent of the bank's share capital; this stipulation has been complied with. The shares may be purchased either through the stock market or by means of a public offering to all shareholders. The price paid for the shares must not be more than 10 per cent above or more than 20 per cent below the average share price quoted on the Frankfurt Stock Exchange on the last three trading days prior to the obligation to purchase the shares through the stock market. If a public offering is made, the price paid for the shares must not be more than 10 per cent below or more than 15 per cent above the average share price quoted on the Frankfurt Stock Exchange on the last three trading days prior to the date on which the offering is made public. If, when a public offering is made, the volume of shares offered exceeds the intended repurchase volume, acceptance of the offering must be proportionate to the volume of shares offered in each case. It is possible to allow preferential acceptance of small numbers of up to 50 shares per shareholder for the purchase of Deutsche Bank shares on offer.

The Board of Managing Directors was authorized, with the consent of the Supervisory Board, to sell the purchased shares other than through the stock market or by means of an offering to all shareholders provided this is done against non-cash capital contributions, excluding shareholders' pre-emptive rights, for the purpose of acquiring companies or holdings in companies. Furthermore, the Board of Managing Directors was authorized, when selling the bank's purchased own shares by means of an offering to all shareholders, to grant the holders of the warrants, convertible bonds and profit-sharing rights issued by the bank pre-emptive rights to the shares to the extent to which they would be entitled after having exercised the option or conversion right. Shareholders' pre-emptive rights are excluded for these cases and to this extent. The Board of Managing Directors was also authorized to exclude shareholders' pre-emptive rights if the shares are to be issued as staff shares to employees and retired employees of the bank and of affiliated companies, or if they are to be used to fulfil option rights or purchase rights or purchase obligations attaching to shares of the bank granted to employees of the bank or of affiliated companies. Furthermore, the Board of Managing Directors was authorized to sell the shares to third parties against cash payment, excluding shareholders' pre-emptive rights, unless the

purchase price of the shares is substantially lower than their market price at the time they are sold. This authorization may only be utilized if it is ensured that the number of shares sold as a result of this authorization together with shares issued from authorized capital, excluding shareholders' pre-emptive rights, pursuant to section 186 (3) sentence 4 of the German Joint Stock Corporation Act does not exceed 10 per cent of the company's share capital available at the time the shares are issued or sold.

The Board of Managing Directors was also authorized to retire shares purchased as a result of this authorization without requiring any further resolution to be adopted by the General Meeting. The authorization for the bank to purchase its own shares, which was given by the General Meeting on May 22, 2002 and was valid until September 30, 2003, expired as soon as the authorization of June 10, 2003 came into effect.

At the end of 2003, the bank's holdings of its own shares amounted to 144,625 pursuant to section 71 (1) number 7 of the German Joint Stock Corporation Act and to 16,527,468 pursuant to section 71 (1) number 8 of the German Joint Stock Corporation Act, i.e. 0.02 % and 2.84 % of our share capital respectively. The bank's total holdings of its own shares at the balance sheet date required a reserve for these shares in the amount of their carrying value of € 964,986,046.92. On December 31, 2003, 1,855,874 (end of 2002: 2,028,050) Deutsche Bank shares, i.e. 0.32 % (end of 2002: 0.33 %) of our share capital, were pledged to the bank and its affiliated companies as security for loans.

Changes in subscribed, authorized and conditional capital

The bank's subscribed capital is divided into 581,854,246 registered no par value shares. This number decreased in 2003 due to the retirement of 40,000,000 shares as part of the share buy-back programme.

Excluding holdings of the bank's own shares, the number of shares in issue as at December 31, 2003 came to 565,182,153 (end of 2002: 582,129,710); the average number of shares in issue in the year under review was 574,821,752.

The following table shows the changes in subscribed, authorized and conditional capital:

| in € | Subscribed capital | Authorized capital | Authorized capital excl. shareholders' pre-emptive rights | Conditional capital |
|--|-------------------------|-----------------------|---|-----------------------|
| Balance at 31.12.2002 | 1,591,946,869.76 | 655,822,970.30 | 30,000,000.00 | 231,614,835.20 |
| Capital reduction through retirement of 40,000,000 shares pursuant to General Meeting resolution of May 22, 2002 | - 102,400,000.00 | | | |
| Increase pursuant to General Meeting resolution of June 10, 2003 | | 128,000,000.00 | | |
| Expiry of General Meeting resolution of May 20, 1998 | | - 127,822,970.30 | | |
| Expiry of option rights pursuant to General Meeting resolution of May 20, 1998 | | | | - 695,296.00 |
| Expiry of option rights pursuant to General Meeting resolution of May 17, 1999 | | | | - 4,746,147.84 |
| Balance at 31.12.2003 | 1,489,546,869.76 | 656,000,000.00 | 30,000,000.00 | 226,173,391.36 |

The General Meeting granted the Board of Managing Directors five differently structured authorizations to increase the share capital – with the consent of the Supervisory Board – through the issue of new shares (authorized capital) as follows:

- by a further € 50,000,000 against cash payments, on or before April 30, 2004; shareholders' general pre-emptive rights can be excluded unless the issue price of the new shares is substantially lower than the market price of the already listed shares at the time the issue price is fixed (General Meeting resolution of May 17, 1999);
- by up to € 250,000,000 against cash payments, on or before April 30, 2004, with pre-emptive rights being granted to shareholders (General Meeting resolution of May 17, 1999);
- by up to a total of € 128,000,000 against cash payments or non-cash capital contributions, on one or more occasions on or before April 30, 2006, with pre-emptive rights generally being granted to shareholders; however, pre-emptive rights can be excluded if a capital increase against non-cash capital contributions was made for the purpose of acquiring companies or holdings in companies (General Meeting resolution of May 17, 2001);
- by up to a total of € 100,000,000 against cash payments, on one or more occasions on or before April 30, 2007; shareholders' general pre-emptive rights can be excluded unless the issue price of the new shares is substantially lower than the market price of the already listed shares at the time the issue price is fixed (General Meeting resolution of May 22, 2002);
- by up to a total of € 128,000,000 against cash payments or non-cash capital contributions, on one or more occasions on or before April 30, 2008, with pre-emptive rights generally being granted to shareholders; however, pre-emptive rights can be excluded if a capital increase against non-cash capital contributions was made for the purpose of acquiring companies or holdings in companies (General Meeting resolution of June 10, 2003).

In all cases, pre-emptive rights may be excluded for broken amounts and to grant pre-emptive rights to holders of issued warrants, convertible bonds and profit-sharing rights.

Furthermore, the Articles of Association contain the following authorizations for the issue of shares and/or options to employees of Deutsche Bank:

- The authorized capital of € 30,000,000 granted by the General Meeting resolution of June 9, 2000 is intended for the issue of staff shares. Shareholders' pre-emptive rights are excluded.

- The Board of Managing Directors was allowed, as a result of the authorization of May 17, 2001 and with the consent of the Supervisory Board, to issue up to 12,000,000 option rights on Deutsche Bank shares to employees of the Deutsche Bank Group on or before December 31, 2003. Their issue price, performance target and exercise periods were the same as those for the issue of option rights to executives. Between 2001 and 2003, this authorization was utilized to grant option rights on shares amounting to € 9,292,249.60. Although the conditional capital now amounts to € 30,973,391.36, it can no longer be used.

The Board of Managing Directors was authorized, with the consent of the Supervisory Board, to issue option rights on shares of Deutsche Bank AG to members of the Board of Managing Directors and executives of Deutsche Bank AG and to members of the managements and executives of affiliated companies. The authorizations contain the following conditions:

Authorizations given by the General Meeting

Authorized capital

Conditional capital

- General Meeting resolution of May 17, 2001: issue of up to 20,000,000 option rights on or before May 10, 2003; granted in two annual tranches, neither of which must exceed 70% of the total volume (conditional capital of € 51,200,000);
- General Meeting resolution of May 22, 2002: issue of up to 25,000,000 option rights on or before May 20, 2005; granted in annual tranches, none of which must exceed 60% of the total volume (conditional capital of € 64,000,000).

Each option right entitles the holder, against payment of the issue price, to purchase one no par value share of Deutsche Bank AG. If the option is exercised, the issue price of one share represents its exercise price plus a premium of 20%. The exercise price corresponds to the average closing price quoted for Deutsche Bank shares in Xetra trading on the Frankfurt Stock Exchange over the last 10 trading days prior to the date on which the option rights are issued. The exercise of option rights is subject to the waiting period for their first-time exercise and exercise periods.

The conditional capital is increased only to the extent that the holders of issued option rights exercise their pre-emptive rights and that the bank does not fulfil the option rights by transferring ownership of its own shares or by making a cash payment.

Change in capital and reserves

| in € m. | | |
|--|----------------|---------------|
| Balance at 31.12.2002 | | 21,636 |
| Distribution in 2003 | | – 755 |
| Profit carried forward | | – 53 |
| Capital reduction through retirement of own shares | | |
| – derecognition of subscribed capital | – 102 | |
| – allocation to capital reserve | + 102 | |
| – withdrawal from other revenue reserves | <u>– 1,700</u> | – 1,700 |
| Revenue reserves | | |
| – withdrawal from reserve for own shares | – 780 | |
| – allocation to other revenue reserves | <u>+ 780</u> | – |
| Distributable profit for 2003 | | + 873 |
| Balance at 31.12.2003 | | 20,001 |

Regulatory capital and reserves pursuant to the German Banking Act totalled € 23.8 billion.

Contingent liabilities

Liabilities from guarantees and indemnity agreements, as reported on the balance sheet, are broken down as follows:

| in € m. | 31.12.2003 | 31.12.2002 |
|--------------------|------------|------------|
| Guarantees | 16,349 | 20,706 |
| Letters of credit | 2,446 | 3,675 |
| Credit liabilities | 4,379 | 3,602 |

The irrevocable credit commitments (€ 73,360 million) include commitments of € 63,809 million for loans and discounts in favour of non-banks.

Other obligations

Annual payment obligations under rental agreements and leases amount to € 466 million with residual maturities of up to 20 years. These obligations include € 134 million to affiliated companies. There are longer-term obligations to purchase goods and services totalling € 1.6 billion as part of outsourcing projects.

Sundry obligations

Liabilities for possible calls on not fully paid-up shares in public and private limited companies and other shares amounted to € 153 million at the end of 2003 and other liabilities for possible calls to € 26 million. Joint liabilities pursuant to section 24 of the German Private Limited Companies Act (GmbHG) amounted to € 28 million. Where other joint liabilities exist, the credit standing of the co-shareholders is impeccable in all cases.

In connection with our participating interest in Liquiditäts-Konsortialbank GmbH, Frankfurt am Main, there is an obligation to pay further capital of up to € 68 million and a *pro rata* contingent liability to fulfil the capital obligations of other shareholders belonging to Bundesverband deutscher Banken e.V., Berlin.

Liabilities for possible calls on other shares totalled € 0.1 million as at December 31, 2003.

Pursuant to section 5 (10) of the Statute of the Deposit Guarantee Fund we have undertaken to indemnify Bundesverband deutscher Banken e.V., Berlin, for any losses incurred through measures taken in favour of banks majority-held or controlled by Deutsche Bank.

Pursuant to section 3 (1a) of the Statute of the Deposit Guarantee Fund for Banks' Building and Loan Associations, Deutsche Bank AG has also undertaken to indemnify Fachverband für Bank-Bausparkassen e.V. for any losses incurred through measures taken in favour of Deutsche Bank Bauspar AG, Frankfurt am Main.

As part of the business activities of our foreign branches, collateral security of € 320 million was required by statutory regulations.

Obligations arising from transactions on futures and options exchanges and towards clearing houses for which securities were pledged as collateral amounted to € 690 million as at December 31, 2003.

There are contingent liabilities totalling € 59 million in connection with the resale of the trading company Klöckner & Co. AG, Duisburg.

Furthermore, there remain other obligations of € 186 million arising from third-party put options and of € 52 million arising from indemnity, maintenance and insurance agreements.

For all liabilities established before the hive-down of the retail business into Bank 24 AG – which trades as Deutsche Bank Privat- und Geschäftskunden AG – became effective, the bank is liable as an involved legal entity pursuant to section 133 (1) of the German Transformation Act (UmwG) for five years from the date on which the entry of the hive-down in the Commercial Register is deemed to have been officially announced; the hive-down was entered in the Commercial Register on September 1, 1999.

Declaration of backing¹

Deutsche Bank AG ensures, except in the case of political risk, that the following companies are able to meet their contractual liabilities:

DB Investments (GB) Limited, London

Deutsche Asset Management International GmbH,
Frankfurt am Main
(formerly: Deutsche Asset Management GmbH)

Deutsche Asset Management
Investmentgesellschaft mbH
vormals DEGEF Deutsche Gesellschaft
für Fondsverwaltung mbH,
Frankfurt am Main

Deutsche Australia Limited, Sydney

Deutsche Bank Americas Holding Corp.,
New York/U.S.A.
(formerly: Deutsche Bank North America Holding Corp.)

Deutsche Bank Luxembourg S.A.,
Luxembourg

Deutsche Bank (Malaysia) Berhad,
Kuala Lumpur

Deutsche Bank Polska S.A., Warsaw

Deutsche Bank (Portugal), S.A., Lisbon
(formerly: Deutsche Bank de Investimento, S.A.)

Deutsche Bank Rt., Budapest

Deutsche Bank S.A., Buenos Aires

Deutsche Bank S.A. – Banco Alemão,
São Paulo

Deutsche Bank S.A./N.V., Brussels

Deutsche Bank, Sociedad Anónima Española,
Barcelona

Deutsche Bank Società per Azioni, Milan

Deutsche Bank (Suisse) S.A., Geneva

Deutsche Futures Singapore Pte Ltd., Singapore
(formerly: Deutsche Morgan Grenfell Futures Pte Ltd.)

Deutsche Morgan Grenfell Group plc, London

Deutsche Securities Limited, Hong Kong
(formerly: Deutsche Morgan Grenfell Capital Markets Limited)

Deutsche Securities Asia Limited,
Hong Kong

DWS Holding & Service GmbH,
Frankfurt am Main
(formerly: Deutsche Asset Management Europe GmbH)

DWS Investment GmbH, Frankfurt am Main
(formerly: DWS Deutsche Gesellschaft für
Wertpapiersparen mbH)

DWS Investment S.A., Luxembourg
(formerly: DB Investment Management S.A.)

OOO Deutsche Bank, Moscow

Schiffshypothekenbank zu Lübeck
Aktiengesellschaft, Hamburg

¹ Companies with which a profit and loss transfer agreement exists are marked in the List of Shareholdings.

| in € m. | 31.12.2003 | 31.12.2002 |
|---|----------------|----------------|
| Other claims on banks | 74,937 | 71,158 |
| with a residual period of | | |
| up to three months | 55,256 | 50,167 |
| more than three months and up to one year | 10,806 | 14,894 |
| more than one year and up to five years | 6,310 | 3,251 |
| more than five years | 2,565 | 2,846 |
| Claims on customers | 288,935 | 286,437 |
| with a residual period of | | |
| up to three months | 212,802 | 210,078 |
| more than three months and up to one year | 22,547 | 32,616 |
| more than one year and up to five years | 32,395 | 24,340 |
| more than five years | 20,956 | 15,407 |
| with an indefinite period | 235 | 3,996 |

Maturity structure of claims

Of the bonds and other fixed-income securities of € 143,486 million, € 20,073 million mature in 2004.

| in € m. | 31.12.2003 | 31.12.2002 |
|---|----------------|----------------|
| Liabilities to banks with agreed period or notice period | 145,006 | 156,000 |
| with a residual period of | | |
| up to three months | 106,242 | 94,404 |
| more than three months and up to one year | 14,255 | 18,775 |
| more than one year and up to five years | 16,086 | 25,229 |
| more than five years | 8,423 | 17,592 |
| Savings deposits with agreed notice period of more than three months | 866 | 988 |
| with a residual period of | | |
| up to three months | 401 | 452 |
| more than three months and up to one year | 281 | 315 |
| more than one year and up to five years | 180 | 218 |
| more than five years | 4 | 3 |
| Other liabilities to customers with agreed period or notice period | 172,224 | 158,522 |
| with a residual period of | | |
| up to three months | 121,535 | 111,995 |
| more than three months and up to one year | 7,960 | 23,208 |
| more than one year and up to five years | 29,976 | 17,484 |
| more than five years | 12,753 | 5,835 |
| Other liabilities in certificate form | 49,838 | 44,273 |
| with a residual period of | | |
| up to three months | 16,172 | 15,417 |
| more than three months and up to one year | 15,769 | 14,655 |
| more than one year and up to five years | 15,280 | 7,125 |
| more than five years | 2,617 | 7,076 |

Maturity structure of liabilities

Of the issued bonds of € 25,322 million, € 6,419 million mature in 2004.

The prepaid expenses of € 1,247 million include a balance of € 281 million pursuant to section 250 (3) HGB. The deferred income of € 593 million contains € 157 million in balances pursuant to section 340e (2) HGB.

Prepaid expenses and deferred income

Trust business

| in € m. | Assets held in trust | | in € m. | Liabilities held in trust | |
|---|----------------------|------------|--------------------------|---------------------------|------------|
| | 31.12.2003 | 31.12.2002 | | 31.12.2003 | 31.12.2002 |
| Claims on banks | 468 | 13 | Liabilities to banks | 11 | 12 |
| Claims on customers | 419 | 489 | Liabilities to customers | 933 | 515 |
| Equity shares and other variable-yield securities | 42 | 25 | | | |
| Participating interests | 15 | – | | | |
| Total | 944 | 527 | Total | 944 | 527 |

Information on affiliated, associated and related companies

| in € m. | Affiliated companies | | Associated and related companies | |
|---|----------------------|------------|----------------------------------|------------|
| | 31.12.2003 | 31.12.2002 | 31.12.2003 | 31.12.2002 |
| Claims on banks | 50,118 | 46,323 | 190 | 2,672 |
| Claims on customers | 149,491 | 128,291 | 872 | 766 |
| Bonds and other fixed-income securities | 902 | 1,276 | 1,582 | 82 |
| Liabilities to banks | 85,025 | 91,555 | 50 | 26 |
| Liabilities to customers | 89,948 | 70,355 | 1,111 | 357 |
| Liabilities in certificate form | 1,334 | 3,386 | – | – |
| Subordinated liabilities | 6,937 | 5,860 | – | – |

Shareholdings

The complete list of our shareholdings is filed with the Commercial Register in Frankfurt am Main. It can be obtained free of charge from Deutsche Bank AG, Frankfurt am Main.

Assets pledged as collateral

Assets in the stated amounts were pledged as collateral for the liabilities shown below:

| in € m. | 31.12.2003 | 31.12.2002 |
|--------------------------|------------|------------|
| Liabilities to banks | 9,457 | 11,285 |
| Liabilities to customers | 486 | 630 |

Transactions subject to sale and repurchase agreements

The book value of assets reported on the balance sheet and sold subject to a repurchase agreement in the amount of € 66,073 million related exclusively to securities sold under repo agreements.

Foreign currencies

The total amount of assets denominated in foreign currency was the equivalent of € 423,400 million at the balance sheet date; the total value of liabilities was the equivalent of € 407,970 million.

Forward transactions outstanding at the balance sheet date consisted mainly of the following types of business:

Forward deals

- interest rate-linked transactions
forward deals linked to debt instruments, forward rate agreements, interest rate swaps, interest futures, option rights in certificate form, option deals and option contracts linked to interest rates and indices;
- exchange rate-linked transactions
foreign exchange and precious metal forwards, cross-currency swaps, option rights in certificate form, option deals and option contracts linked to foreign exchange and precious metals, foreign exchange and precious metal futures;
- other transactions
equity forwards and futures, index futures, option rights in certificate form, option deals and option contracts linked to equities and indices.

The above types of transaction are concluded almost exclusively to hedge interest rate, exchange rate and market price fluctuations in trading activities.

Notes to the profit and loss account

Income by geographical market

The total amount of interest income, of current income from equity shares and other variable-yield securities, participating interests and shares in affiliated companies, of commission income, of net income from financial transactions and of other operating income is spread across various regions as shown by the following breakdown pursuant to section 34 (2) RechKredV:

| in € m. | 2003 | 2002 |
|-----------------------|---------------|---------------|
| Germany | 11,640 | 13,283 |
| Europe excl. Germany | 11,793 | 12,525 |
| Americas | 2,481 | 3,443 |
| Africa/Asia/Australia | 2,142 | 2,333 |
| Total | 28,056 | 31,584 |

Administrative and agency services provided for third parties

The following administrative and agency services were provided for third parties: custody services; referral of mortgages, insurance policies and housing finance contracts; administration of assets held in trust, and asset management.

Other operating income

At € 1,059 million, other operating income consists mainly of € 40 million in income from the release of provisions not concerning lending or securities-related business, proceeds of € 286 million from the disposal of the Global Securities Services business, income of € 32 million from leasing, and realized foreign exchange gains of € 536 million on gains and losses carried forward at branches outside Germany.

Other operating expenses

Other operating expenses of € 794 million include € 53 million in diverse expenses for compensation payments, processing errors, and the reimbursement of interest and commissions from previous years, € 66 million in insurance premiums for operational risks, € 27 million in losses on the sale of furniture and equipment and payments for the early termination of leases on bank premises, € 105 million in exchange rate differences, particularly as a result of the translation of the capital allocated to our foreign branches (including gains and losses carried forward) and € 265 million in expenses for other property, mainly losses incurred on the sale of buildings.

Other information

In 2003, the total remuneration of the Board of Managing Directors came to € 28,005,458.54, € 23,693,460 of which represented variable forms of compensation.

Former members of the Board of Managing Directors of Deutsche Bank AG or their surviving dependants received € 31,218,858.64. In addition to a fixed payment of € 736,116.63, the Supervisory Board received dividend-related remuneration totalling € 1,354,263.75.

Provisions for pension obligations to former members of the Board of Managing Directors or their surviving dependants totalled € 173,794,918.

At the end of 2003, loans and advances granted and contingent liabilities assumed for members of the Board of Managing Directors amounted to € 95,000 and for members of the Supervisory Board of Deutsche Bank AG to € 473,000.

The members of the Board of Managing Directors and the Supervisory Board are listed on pages 33 and 34.

The List of Mandates mentions all directorships held in Germany and abroad and is filed with the Commercial Register in Frankfurt am Main. Both the List of Mandates and the Corporate Governance Report can be obtained free of charge from Deutsche Bank AG, Frankfurt am Main.

The average number of full-time equivalent staff employed during the year under review was 27,965 (2002: 31,132), 10,797 of whom were women. Part-time employees are included proportionately in these figures. An average of 13,403 (2002: 14,133) staff members worked at branches outside Germany.

The bank has issued and made available to its shareholders the declaration prescribed by section 161 AktG.

Frankfurt am Main, March 2, 2004

Deutsche Bank Aktiengesellschaft
The Board of Managing Directors

Board of Managing Directors and Supervisory Board

Employees

Corporate governance

Independent Auditors' Report

We have audited the annual financial statements, together with the bookkeeping system, and the management report of Deutsche Bank AG for the financial year from January 1 to December 31, 2003. The maintenance of the books and records and the preparation of the annual financial statements and management report in accordance with German commercial law are the responsibility of the Company's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the annual financial statements, together with the bookkeeping system, and the management report based on our audit.

We conducted our audit of the annual financial statements in accordance with section 317 HGB (Handelsgesetzbuch; German Commercial Code) and the German generally accepted standards for the audit of financial statements promulgated by the Institut der Wirtschaftsprüfer (German Institute of Auditors). Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit such that misstatements materially affecting the presentation of the net assets, financial position and results of operations in the annual financial statements in accordance with principles of proper accounting and in the management report are detected with reasonable assurance. Knowledge of the business activities and the economic and legal environment of the Company and evaluations of possible misstatements are taken into account in the determination of audit procedures. The effectiveness of the internal control system relating to the accounting system and the evidence supporting the disclosures in the books and records, the annual financial statements and the management report are examined primarily on a test basis within the framework of the audit. The audit includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the annual financial statements and management report. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

Our audit has not led to any reservations.

In our opinion, the annual financial statements give a true and fair view of the net assets, financial position and results of operations of Deutsche Bank AG in accordance with principles of proper accounting. On the whole, the management report provides a suitable understanding of the Company's position and suitably presents the risks of future development.

Frankfurt am Main, March 8, 2004

KPMG Deutsche Treuhand-Gesellschaft
Aktiengesellschaft
Wirtschaftsprüfungsgesellschaft



Wiedmann
Wirtschaftsprüfer



Keese
Wirtschaftsprüfer

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Spokesman

Clemens Börsig

Tessen von Heydebreck

Hermann-Josef Lamberti

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– Chairman,
Frankfurt am Main

Heidrun Förster*

– Deputy Chairperson,
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Frankfurt am Main

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Deutsche Bank Privat- und
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from June 10, 2003,
Chairman of the Supervisory
Board of E.ON AG, Düsseldorf

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until June 10, 2003,
Federal Executive Secretary of
ver.di Vereinte Dienstleistungs-
gewerkschaft e.V., Berlin

Sabine Horn*

Deutsche Bank AG,
Frankfurt am Main

Rolf Hunck*

from June 10, 2003,
Deutsche Bank AG,
Hamburg

Sir Peter Job

London

Prof. Dr.

Henning Kagermann
Chairman and CEO of SAP AG,
Walldorf/Baden

Ulrich Kaufmann*

Deutsche Bank AG, Düsseldorf

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until June 10, 2003,
Deutsche Bank AG, Essen

Adolf Kracht

until June 10, 2003,
Chairman of the Supervisory
Board of Wilhelm von Finck AG,
Grasbrunn

Professor Dr.-Ing. E. h.

Berthold Leibinger
until June 10, 2003,
Chairman of the Board of
Management of TRUMPF GmbH
+ Co. KG, Ditzingen

Henriette Mark*

from June 10, 2003,
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Munich

Margret Mönig-Raane*

Vice President of ver.di
Vereinte Dienstleistungs-
gewerkschaft e.V., Berlin

Dr. Michael Otto

Chairman of the Board
of Management of
Otto (GmbH & Co KG),
Hamburg

Gabriele Platscher*

from June 10, 2003,
Deutsche Bank Privat- und
Geschäftskunden AG,
Braunschweig

Karin Ruck*

from June 10, 2003,
Deutsche Bank AG,
Bad Soden am Taunus

Klaus Schwedler*

until June 10, 2003,
Deutsche Bank AG,
Eschborn

Tilman Todenhöfer

Managing Partner of Robert Bosch
Industrietreuhand KG, Stuttgart

Michael Freiherr Truchseß von Wetzhausen*

until June 10, 2003,
Deutsche Bank AG,
Frankfurt am Main

Lothar Wacker*

until June 10, 2003,
Deutsche Bank AG, Cologne

Dipl.-Ing. Dr.-Ing. E. h.

Jürgen Weber
from June 10, 2003,
Chairman of the Supervisory
Board of Deutsche Lufthansa AG,
Hamburg

Dipl.-Ing. Albrecht Woeste

Chairman of the Supervisory
Board and Shareholders'
Committee of Henkel KGaA,
Düsseldorf

Leo Wunderlich*

from June 10, 2003,
Deutsche Bank AG,
Mannheim

* elected by the employees

Committees

Chairman's Committee

Dr. Rolf-E. Breuer
 – Chairman
 Dr. Ulrich Cartellieri
 Heidrun Förster*
 Ulrich Kaufmann*
 from June 10, 2003
 Lothar Wacker*
 until June 10, 2003

Mediation Committee

Dr. Rolf-E. Breuer
 – Chairman
 Dr. Ulrich Cartellieri
 Heidrun Förster*
 Ulrich Kaufmann*
 until June 10, 2003
 Henriette Mark*
 from June 10, 2003

Audit Committee

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 Karl-Hermann Baumann
 – Chairman
 Dr. Rolf-E. Breuer
 Dr. Ulrich Cartellieri
 Heidrun Förster*
 Sabine Horn*
 Rolf Hunck*
 from June 10, 2003
 Michael Freiherr Truchseß
 von Wetzhausen*
 until June 10, 2003

Credit and Market Risk Committee

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 – Chairman
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 Karl-Hermann Baumann
 Dr. Ulrich Cartellieri
 Sir Peter Job
 – Substitute Member
 Ulrich Hartmann
 from June 10, 2003
 – Substitute Member
 Adolf Kracht
 until June 10, 2003
 – Substitute Member

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until June 10, 2003
– Chairman,
Chairman of the Supervisory
Board of E.ON AG, Düsseldorf

Werner Wenning

– Deputy Chairman,
until October 30, 2003
– Chairman,
from October 30, 2003
Chairman of the Board
of Managing Directors of
Bayer AG, Leverkusen

Carl L. von Boehm-Bezing

Frankfurt am Main

Dr. jur. Walter Deuss

until June 10, 2003,
KarstadtQuelle AG, Essen

Dr. Karl-Gerhard Eick

Deputy Chairman of the Board
of Management of
Deutsche Telekom AG, Bonn

Dr. Michael Endres

until December 31, 2003,
Frankfurt am Main

Dr. Karl-Ludwig Kley

Member of the Executive Board
of Deutsche Lufthansa AG,
Cologne

Max Dietrich Kley

until May 6, 2003,
Member of the Supervisory
Board of BASF Aktien-
gesellschaft,
Ludwigshafen

Dr. Jürgen Krumnow

Frankfurt am Main

Georg Krupp

until June 10, 2003,
Frankfurt am Main

Dr. h. c. August Oetker

General Partner of
Dr. August Oetker KG, Bielefeld

Eckhard Pfeiffer

Houston

Dr. Bernd Pischetsrieder

Chairman of the Board of
Management of Volkswagen AG,
Wolfsburg

Dr. Wolfgang Reitzle

President and CEO of Linde AG,
Wiesbaden

Dr. rer. pol. Michael Rogowski

President, Federation of German
Industries,
Chairman of the Supervisory Board
of J. M. Voith AG, Heidenheim

Dr. rer. pol. Dipl.-Kfm.

Gerhard Rüschen

until June 10, 2003,
Bad Soden am Taunus

Dr. Ronaldo H. Schmitz

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Prof. Jürgen E. Schrempp

Chairman of the Board of
Management of
DaimlerChrysler AG, Stuttgart

Dipl.-Ing. Hans Peter Stihl

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General Partner of
STIHL Holding AG & Co. KG,
Waiblingen

Marcus Wallenberg

Executive Vice President
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SECTION III: RECENT DEVELOPMENTS IN THE ISSUER'S BUSINESS

RECENT DEVELOPMENTS IN THE ISSUER'S BUSINESS

1. Material Adverse Change

Save as disclosed in this document, there has been no material adverse change in the financial position of the Issuer since the end of the last financial period for which annual financial statements have been published that would negatively affect the ability of the Issuer to perform its obligations under the Securities.

2. Litigation of Deutsche Bank

Other than set out herein the Deutsche Bank is not, or during the last two financial years has not been involved (whether as defendant or otherwise) in, nor does it have knowledge of any threat of any legal, arbitration, administrative or other proceedings the result of which may have, in the event of an adverse determination, a significant effect on the financial condition of the Deutsche Bank.

Research Analyst Independence Investigations

On December 20, 2002, the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission, the National Association of Securities Dealers ("NASD"), the New York Stock Exchange, the New York Attorney General, and the North American Securities Administrators Association (on behalf of state securities regulators) announced an agreement in principle with ten investment banks to resolve investigations relating to research analyst independence. Deutsche Bank Securities Inc. ("DBSI"), Deutsche Bank's U.S. SEC-registered broker dealer subsidiary, was one of the ten investment banks. Pursuant to the agreement in principle, and subject to finalization and approval of the settlement by DBSI, the Securities and Exchange Commission and state regulatory authorities, DBSI agreed, among other things: (i) to pay \$ 50 million, of which \$ 25 million is a civil penalty and \$ 25 million is for restitution for investors, (ii) to adopt internal structural and operational reforms that will further augment the steps it has already taken to ensure research analyst independence and promote investor confidence, (iii) to contribute \$ 25 million spread over five years to provide third-party research to clients, (iv) to contribute \$ 5 million towards investor education, and (v) to adopt restrictions on the allocation of shares in initial public offerings to corporate executives and directors. On April 28, 2003, U.S. securities regulators announced a final settlement of the research analyst investigations with most of these investment banks. Shortly before this date, DBSI located certain e-mail that was inadvertently not produced during the course of the investigation. As a result, DBSI was not part of the group of investment banks settling on that day. DBSI has cooperated fully with the regulators to ensure that all relevant e-mail is produced and is hopeful that this matter will be resolved shortly.

IPO Allocation Litigation

DBSI and its predecessor firms, along with numerous other securities firms, have been named as defendants in over 80 putative class action lawsuits pending in the United States District Court for the Southern District of New York. These lawsuits allege violations of securities and antitrust laws in connection with the allocation of shares in a large number of initial public offerings ("IPOs") by issuers, officers and directors of issuers, and underwriters of those securities. DBSI is named in these suits as an underwriter. The purported securities class actions allege material misstatements and omissions in registration statements and prospectuses for the IPOs and market

manipulation with respect to aftermarket trading in the IPO securities. Among the allegations are that the underwriters tied the receipt of allocations of IPO shares to required aftermarket purchases by customers and to the payment of undisclosed compensation to the underwriters in the form of commissions on securities trades, and that the underwriters caused misleading analyst reports to be issued. The antitrust claims allege an illegal conspiracy to affect the stock price based on similar allegations that the underwriters required aftermarket purchases and undisclosed commissions in exchange for allocation of IPO stocks. In the purported securities class actions the motions to dismiss the complaints of DBSI and others were denied on February 13, 2003. Plaintiffs have filed a motion to certify classes in the securities cases, and DBSI and other defendants have filed briefs in opposition to that motion. Discovery in the securities cases is underway. In the purported antitrust class action, the defendants' motion to dismiss the complaint was granted on November 3, 2003, and the plaintiffs subsequently filed notices of appeal to the Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit.

Enron Litigation

Deutsche Bank AG and certain of its subsidiaries and affiliates are involved in a number of lawsuits arising out of their banking relationship with Enron Corp. and its subsidiaries ("Enron"). These lawsuits include a series of purported class actions brought on behalf of shareholders of Enron, including the lead action captioned *Newby v. 148 Enron Corp.* The consolidated complaint filed in *Newby* named as defendants, among others, Deutsche Bank AG, several other investment banking firms, a number of law firms, Enron's former accountants and affiliated entities and individuals and other individual defendants, including present and former officers and directors of Enron, and it purports to allege claims against Deutsche Bank AG under federal securities laws. On December 20, 2002, the Court dismissed all of the claims alleged in the *Newby* action against Deutsche Bank AG. Plaintiffs in *Newby* filed a first amended consolidated complaint on May 14, 2003 and reasserted claims against Deutsche Bank AG under federal securities laws and also added similar claims against its subsidiaries DBSI and DBTCA. The Deutsche Bank entities' motion to dismiss the first amended consolidated complaint is pending.

Also, an adversary proceeding has been brought by Enron in the bankruptcy court against, among others, Deutsche Bank AG and certain of its affiliates. In this adversary proceeding, Enron seeks damages from the Deutsche Bank entities, as well as the other defendants, for alleged aiding and abetting breaches of fiduciary duty by Enron insiders, aiding and abetting fraud and unlawful civil conspiracy, and also seeks return of alleged fraudulent conveyances and preferences and equitable subordination of their claims in the Enron bankruptcy. The Deutsche Bank entities' motion to partially dismiss the adversary complaint is pending.

In addition to *Newby* and the adversary proceeding described above, there are third-party actions brought by Arthur Andersen in Enron-related cases asserting contribution claims against Deutsche Bank AG, DBSI and many other defendants, and individual and putative class actions brought in various courts by Enron investors and creditors alleging federal and state law claims against the same entities named by Arthur Andersen, as well as DBTCA. On July 28, 2003, an examiner appointed in the Enron bankruptcy case filed with the bankruptcy court the third in a series of reports. In this report, the Enron examiner opined that the Enron bankruptcy estate has colorable claims against (among others) Deutsche Bank AG for aiding and abetting breaches of fiduciary duties by certain of Enron's officers with respect to certain transactions involving Enron, for equitable subordination, for avoidance of allegedly preferential payments and the denial of a set-

off with respect to a particular transaction. The report acknowledges that any such claims may be subject to certain defenses which could be asserted by Deutsche Bank AG.

By joint order of the district court handling *Newby* and a number of other Enron-related cases and the bankruptcy court handling Enron's bankruptcy case, a mediation among various investors and creditor plaintiffs, the Enron bankruptcy estate and a number of financial institution defendants, including Deutsche Bank AG, has been initiated before The Honorable William C. Conner, Senior United States District Judge for the Southern District of New York.

WorldCom Litigation

Deutsche Bank AG and DBSI are defendants in more than 30 actions filed in federal and state courts arising out of alleged material misstatements and omissions in the financial statements of WorldCom Inc. DBSI was a member of the syndicate that underwrote WorldCom's May 2000 and May 2001 bond offerings, which are among the bond offerings at issue in the actions. Deutsche Bank AG London was a member of the syndicate that underwrote the sterling and Euro tranches of the May 2001 bond offering. Plaintiffs are alleged purchasers of these and other WorldCom debt securities. The defendants in the various actions include certain WorldCom directors and officers, WorldCom's auditor and members of the underwriting syndicates on the debt offerings. Plaintiffs allege that the offering documents contained material misstatements and/or omissions regarding WorldCom's financial condition. The claims against DBSI and Deutsche Bank AG are made under federal and state statutes (including securities laws), and under various common law doctrines.

In the Matter of KPMG LLP Certain Auditor Independence Issues

On November 20, 2003, the Securities and Exchange Commission requested Deutsche Bank to produce certain documents in connection with an ongoing investigation of certain auditor independence issues relating to KPMG LLP. Deutsche Bank is cooperating with the SEC in its inquiry. KPMG Deutsche Treuhand-Gesellschaft Aktiengesellschaft Wirtschaftsprüfungsgesellschaft (KPMG DTG), a KPMG LLP affiliate, is Deutsche Bank's auditor. During all relevant periods, including the present, KPMG DTG has confirmed to us that KPMG DTG was and is "independent" from Deutsche Bank under applicable accounting and SEC regulations.

Kirch Litigation

In May 2002, Dr. Leo Kirch personally and as an assignee initiated legal action against Dr. Breuer and Deutsche Bank AG alleging that a statement made by Dr. Breuer (then the Spokesman of Deutsche Bank's Board of Managing Directors) in an interview with Bloomberg television on February 4, 2002 regarding the Kirch Group was in breach of laws and financially damaging to Kirch. On February 18, 2003, the Munich District Court No. I issued a declaratory judgment to the effect that Deutsche Bank AG and Dr. Breuer were jointly and severally liable for damages to Dr. Kirch, TaurusHolding GmbH & Co. KG and PrintBeteiligungs GmbH as a result of the interview statement. Upon appeal, the Munich Superior Court on December 10, 2003 reaffirmed the decision of the District Court against Deutsche Bank AG, whereas the case against Dr. Breuer was dismissed. Both Dr. Kirch and Deutsche Bank AG have filed motions to set the judgment of the Superior Court aside. To be awarded a judgment for damages against Deutsche Bank AG, Dr. Kirch would have to file a new lawsuit; in such proceedings he would have to prove that the statement caused financial damages and the amount thereof. In mid 2003

Dr. Kirch instituted legal action in the Supreme Court of the State of New York in which he seeks the award of compensatory and punitive damages based upon Dr. Breuer's interview.

Due to the nature of Deutsche Bank's business, Deutsche Bank and its subsidiaries are involved in litigation, arbitration and regulatory proceedings in Germany and in a number of jurisdictions outside Germany, including the United States, arising in the ordinary course of its businesses. Such matters are subject to many uncertainties, and the outcome of individual matters is not predictable with assurance. Although the final resolution of any such matters could have a material effect on Deutsche Bank's consolidated operating results for a particular reporting period, the Bank believes that it should not materially affect its consolidated financial position.

3. Mannesmann case

In February 2003, the Düsseldorf Prosecutor filed charges against Dr. Ackermann and other former members of the Supervisory Board, members of the Board of Managing Directors and one manager of Mannesmann AG. The complaint alleges a breach of trust in connection with payments to former members of the Board of Managing Directors and other managers of Mannesmann AG following the takeover of Mannesmann by Vodafone in spring 2000. On 19 September 2003 the Düsseldorf District Court (*Landgericht Düsseldorf*) ordered a trial which commenced on 21 January 2004. The Supervisory Board of Deutsche Bank has declared that it supports Dr. Ackermann's defense and that it views the case against him as unjustified.

4. Outlook

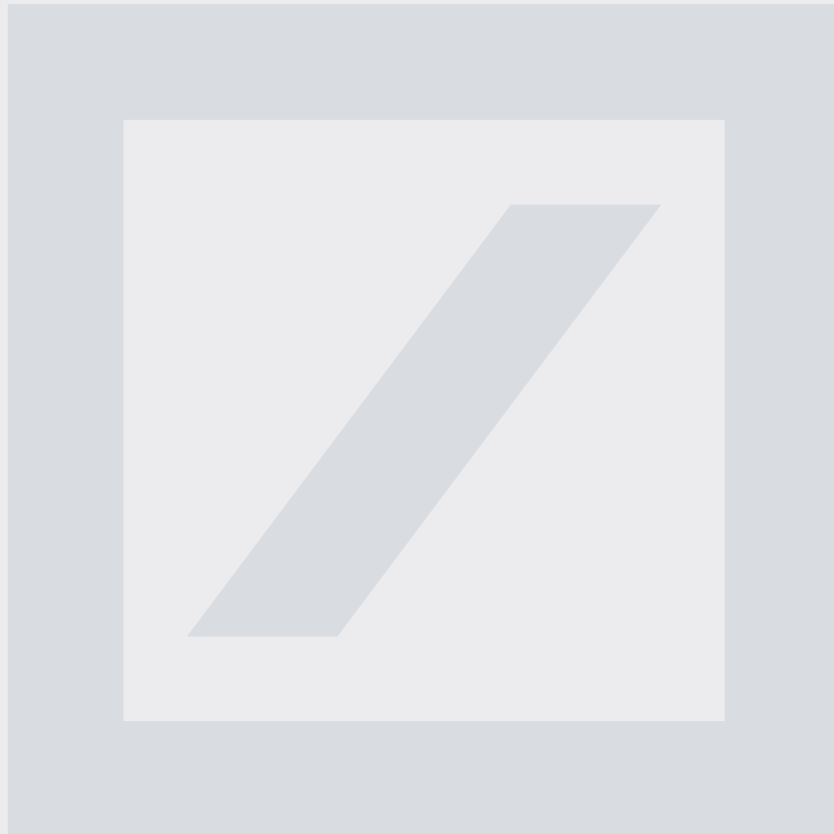
The current outlook of Deutsche Bank is shown in Section II on pages 38 - 39 of the Financial Report.

Deutsche Bank's goal is to take on a leading position in all of its core business lines by offering clients high-quality products and customised financial solutions at competitive conditions.

The interim report of Deutsche Bank as at 30 June 2004 is reproduced on the following pages. References therein to page numbers are to pages in that interim report, and not to pages in this prospectus.

Interim Report

as of June 30, 2004



Deutsche Bank



Deutsche Bank – The Group at a Glance

| | Six months ended | |
|--|------------------|--------------|
| | Jun 30, 2004 | Jun 30, 2003 |
| Share price at period end | € 64.58 | € 56.48 |
| Share price high | € 77.77 | € 60.10 |
| Share price low | € 62.20 | € 32.97 |
| Basic earnings per share | € 3.13 | € 0.60 |
| Diluted earnings per share ¹ | € 2.83 | € 0.57 |
| Average shares outstanding, in m., basic | 511 | 588 |
| Average shares outstanding, in m., diluted | 555 | 615 |
| Return on average shareholders' equity (post-tax) | 11.3% | 2.3% |
| Adjusted return on average active equity (post-tax) ² | 13.4% | 2.8% |
| Pre-tax return on average shareholders' equity | 19.2% | 8.8% |
| Pre-tax return on average active equity ² | 21.3% | 9.2% |
| Cost/income ratio ³ | 74.0% | 81.2% |
| | € m. | € m. |
| Total revenues | 11,549 | 10,899 |
| Provision for loan losses | 278 | 720 |
| Total noninterest expenses | 8,549 | 8,854 |
| Income before income tax expense, cumulative effect of accounting changes and reversal of 1999/2000 credits for tax rate changes | 2,722 | 1,325 |
| Net income before reversal of 1999/2000 credits for tax rate changes | 1,714 | 399 |
| Net income | 1,598 | 353 |
| Underlying revenues | 11,254 | 11,610 |
| Provision for credit losses | 224 | 683 |
| Operating cost base | 8,524 | 8,736 |
| Underlying pre-tax profit | 2,505 | 2,186 |
| Underlying pre-tax return on average active equity ² | 19.6% | 15.1% |
| Underlying cost/income ratio | 75.7% | 75.2% |
| | Jun 30, 2004 | Dec 31, 2003 |
| | € bn. | € bn. |
| Total assets | 849.2 | 803.6 |
| Loans, net | 141.9 | 144.9 |
| Shareholders' equity | 27.2 | 28.2 |
| BIS core capital ratio (Tier I) | 9.4% | 10.0% |
| | Number | Number |
| Branches | 1,555 | 1,576 |
| thereof in Germany | 828 | 845 |
| Employees (full-time equivalent) | 65,746 | 67,682 |
| thereof in Germany | 28,073 | 29,857 |
| Long-term rating | | |
| Moody's Investors Service, New York | Aa3 | Aa3 |
| Standard & Poor's, New York | AA- | AA- |
| Fitch Ratings, New York | AA- | AA- |

¹ Including effect of derivatives on net income applicable for the calculation of diluted earnings per share. The effect for the six months ended June 30, 2004 was € (0.05).

² The reconciliation of financial measures is provided on pages 30 and 31 of this report.

³ Total noninterest expenses as a percentage of net interest revenues before provision for loan losses plus noninterest revenues.

Ladies and Gentlemen,

Business conditions in the second quarter 2004 were very challenging. This impacted our revenues. But due to the enhanced operating strength of our platform after the transformation, we turned in a solid result. This allowed us to close the first half of 2004 with substantial growth in profitability, and returns to our shareholders.

Our net income (before tax reversal) for the quarter was € 749 million – a rise of 27% compared to the second quarter of 2003. Taken together with our first quarter earnings, this brought net income (before tax reversal) for the first six months of 2004 to € 1.7 billion, compared to € 399 million in the first half of 2003.

Diluted earnings per share rose by 25% to € 1.16 in the second quarter, and by 396% to € 2.83 in the first half of 2004. Pre-tax return on average active equity for the second quarter rose from 15% last year to 18%, and, for the first six months, rose from 9% to 21%.

The economic environment was impacted by rising interest rates, a cooling of growth rates in some major economies and upward pressure on oil prices amid concerns over security and political stability. We experienced lower levels of activity in the world's capital markets, both debt and equity, while convertible bond markets were particularly difficult.

In the Corporate and Investment Bank (CIB), revenues were substantially lower in convertibles trading, reflecting difficult market conditions. However, the other customer-driven sales and trading businesses performed well. Our emphasis on providing clients with high-value structured products, and intellectual leadership has yielded substantial results. Revenues in our origination and advisory businesses were the best for six quarters.

In Private Clients and Asset Management (PCAM), we continued to reap the benefits of the reengineering efforts of the last two years, with profitability significantly ahead of 2003. Private and Business Clients continued to deliver on a demanding target, with half-year underlying pre-tax profits of € 499 million.

We maintained our discipline in credit risk management. This, together with an overall improved credit environment, resulted in a further increase in the quality of our loan book, sustained progress on problem loans and consequently a further reduction in our provision for credit losses.

We continue to demonstrate our commitment to strong management of capital. We delivered both return on, and return of, shareholders' equity. At our Annual General Meeting in June, I reported on the progress of our second share buyback program, now complete, which saw us repurchase 58.2 million shares, of which 38 million were for cancellation. At the same time our core capital ratio, at 9.4%, remains comfortably above the upper end of our target range of 8% to 9%. We also received your approval for a dividend increase of 15% to € 1.50 per share and further share buybacks. We will pursue your interests with further buyback activity.

We continue to operate in an uncertain environment. The pace and momentum of the global economic recovery, interest rates, and political factors in a U.S. presidential election year, will all have a critical bearing on the business climate. Nevertheless, we have proven our ability to deliver sustained and resilient growth in earnings, and in returns to shareholders. We have published clear, ambitious objectives, and despite the current challenging conditions, we remain absolutely focused on meeting these objectives. To achieve this we will rely on the efficiency of our platform, the strength of our franchise, and the growth potential of our core businesses.

You will all be aware that legal proceedings in the Mannesmann case have concluded with the exoneration of all defendants. From the beginning of these proceedings, I have been very touched and heartened by the expressions of support which I received – from my colleagues throughout Deutsche Bank, from clients, from public figures in all parts of the world, and from shareholders. Please accept my most sincere thanks for your support.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Josef Ackermann". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Josef Ackermann
Spokesman of the Board of Managing Directors and
Chairman of the Group Executive Committee

Frankfurt am Main, July 2004

Discussion of Results

Deutsche Bank reported net income before reversal of 1999/2000 credits for tax rate changes for the second quarter 2004 of € 749 million, up 27% from € 588 million in the second quarter 2003. For the first six months of 2004, net income before reversal of 1999/2000 credits for tax rate changes was € 1.7 billion, up 330% from € 399 million in the first half 2003.

Net income in the second quarter 2004 was € 656 million, up 15% from the second quarter 2003, and diluted earnings per share were € 1.16, up 25% from 93 cents in the second quarter 2003. Net income in the first half 2004 was € 1.6 billion, an increase of 353% compared to the first six months 2003, and diluted earnings per share were € 2.83, up 396% from 57 cents in the first six months of 2003.

Business Highlights

Reported net revenues were € 5.4 billion, a decline of 9% compared to the second quarter 2003. Almost half of this decline was attributable to three specific factors: the effect of currency movements; the impact of business deconsolidations; and the significant benefit in 2003 (reported in Consolidation and Adjustments) of the asymmetrical accounting treatment of positions in the bank's own stock. The remaining decline was driven principally by convertible bonds trading where market conditions were very challenging. Nevertheless, taken together, Deutsche Bank's other customer-driven businesses performed well in the second quarter 2004.

Noninterest expenses were € 4.1 billion, a decline of 9% compared to the second quarter 2003. This is the lowest level since Deutsche Bank's conversion to U.S. GAAP in 2001 and demonstrates the impact of the 'transformation' strategy. Compensation expenses were € 312 million lower than in the second quarter 2003, reflecting a decline in accruals for performance-based compensation, lower severance payments and reductions in headcount.

Provision for credit losses, which includes provisions for both loan losses and off-balance sheet exposures (the latter reported in other noninterest expenses), was € 83 million, a decline of 75% compared to the second quarter 2003. This represents the seventh consecutive quarter of declining provision for credit losses, and reflects Deutsche Bank's commitment to disciplined credit risk management. In a more favorable credit environment, Deutsche Bank improved asset quality. Problem loans were € 5.9 billion, a decline of 30% from June 30, 2003, and of 12% from December 31, 2003.

Income before income taxes for the second quarter was € 1.2 billion, up 6% from the second quarter 2003, and more than doubled to € 2.7 billion for the first half of 2004 compared to the first half of 2003.

Capital management remains disciplined and focused. During the quarter, the bank continued its share buyback program, and announced the cancellation of 38 million shares. The bank also announced that buybacks will continue, and increased its dividend by 15% to € 1.50 per share. Despite the momentum of returning capital to shareholders, the core capital ratio of 9.4% remained comfortably above the top of the target range of 8% to 9%.

Pre-tax return on average active equity increased to 18% for the quarter, up from 15% in the second quarter 2003. For the first half of 2004 the return increased to 21% from 9% in the first half of 2003.

The sale of DB Payments, part of the bank's payment processing operations, was recognized in the second quarter of 2004 and the bank simultaneously entered into an agreement with the purchaser to provide the bank with payment processing services. A loss of € 49 million was recognized on the sale, half of which was charged to each of the Global Transaction Banking and Private & Business Clients divisions.

Business Segment Review

Corporate and Investment Bank Group Division

The Corporate and Investment Bank's (CIB) second quarter 2004 underlying pre-tax profit was € 762 million, down from € 854 million in the second quarter 2003. Underlying revenues were 12% lower than the second quarter of 2003. For the first half of 2004 underlying pre-tax profit in CIB was € 1.9 billion, an increase of 6% compared to the first half of 2003. Underlying revenues were marginally down, at € 7.2 billion, for the half year compared to € 7.4 billion for the first half of 2003, mainly due to a decline in sales and trading (equity) revenues. Adjusted for the impact of foreign currency movements and business deconsolidations (which would reduce first half 2003 underlying revenues by € 336 million), underlying revenues would have increased by 3%. Reported revenues in the first half of 2003 included a gain of € 508 million from the sale of most of the bank's global securities services business, which is excluded from underlying revenues.

Sales and Trading (Equity) generated underlying revenues of € 535 million in the second quarter 2004 compared to € 910 million in the second quarter 2003. The decline was mainly attributable to continuing difficulties experienced by the bank's convertibles business in a market where volatilities remained at historically very low levels against a backdrop of rising interest rates. These factors also negatively impacted the performance of DB Advisors, the bank's in-house structured trading business. The bank's prime services and derivatives businesses registered substantial growth in the second quarter compared to the same period last year while the revenues of the bank's cash, program trading and index arbitrage businesses remained comparable with the same quarter last year. For the first half of 2004 underlying revenues were € 1.3 billion compared to € 1.5 billion in the first half 2003 with the bank's cash, derivatives and prime services businesses all posting improved revenues compared to the first half of last year.

In Sales and Trading (Debt and other products) second quarter 2004 underlying revenues were 7% below the second quarter 2003 with a continuing downturn in volumes in the traditional flow businesses, but with sustained revenues and increased volumes in the higher value structuring businesses. Underlying revenues for the first half of 2004 were € 3.5 billion, approximately the same as for the first half of 2003. Given the increasingly difficult market conditions this performance reflects the continued strength of the bank's franchise in debt and other products. Deutsche Bank was furthermore elected World's Best Risk Management House and World's Best Foreign Exchange House by *Euromoney* magazine.

In Origination and Advisory, second quarter 2004 underlying revenues were € 470 million, the best level in the past six quarters. Announced M&A volumes fell during the second quarter 2004, but we reported increased advisory fees compared to the first quarter of 2004, improving the bank's positions in European and U.S. league tables, and consolidating the bank's leading position in Germany. For the first half of 2004 underlying revenues were € 925 million, up 10% from € 843 million in the first half of 2003 and reflecting an improved performance from the bank's equity capital markets business, which maintained its market position in Europe while improving in Asia. The bank has reinforced its leading position in European high-yield debt issuance and risen to first place in the European leveraged loan market.

Second quarter underlying revenues from Loan Products were down 16% to € 259 million compared to the second quarter 2003, due mainly to lower loan levels and also to a special charge in an equity method investment in the leasing portfolio, offset partly by lower charges related to the bank's loan hedging activity. As a result, for the first half of 2004 underlying revenues of € 642 million were down 7% from the first half 2003.

In the second quarter 2004 underlying revenues from Transaction Services were € 460 million, a decrease of 3% from the second quarter 2003. This decline reflects lower revenues as a consequence of the sale of most of the bank's global securities services business in 2003. Underlying revenues for the first half of 2004 were € 954 million, a decline of 5% from the first half of 2003, also because of the aforementioned sale of most of the bank's global securities services business. Global Transaction Banking's (GTB) reported revenues for the second quarter of 2004 reflected a charge of € 25 million, which represents GTB's share of the loss on the sale of DB Payments.

CIB's provision for credit losses for the second quarter of 2004 was € 7 million, significantly down from € 249 million in the second quarter 2003, reflecting the overall improved macroeconomic conditions. Despite the still-challenging credit environment in the bank's home market, provisions came down as a result of the enhanced credit discipline that the bank has introduced in recent years. For the first half of 2004, provision for credit losses totaled € 79 million compared to € 481 million in the first half of 2003.

For the second quarter of 2004 CIB's operating cost base was € 2.5 billion, down 4% compared to the second quarter 2003. This decrease was driven principally by a reduction in performance-based compensation consistent with the decrease in business results quarter-on-quarter. For the first half of 2004, the operating cost base rose by 3% to € 5.3 billion compared to the same period of 2003, again largely reflecting the impact of performance-based compensation in line with CIB's improved overall results for the first half of 2004.

Private Clients and Asset Management Group Division

Private Clients and Asset Management (PCAM) reported underlying pre-tax profit of € 380 million in the second quarter of 2004, an increase of 40% from the second quarter 2003. Underlying revenues of € 2.0 billion remained stable in a more difficult market environment, while the operating cost base decreased by € 110 million, or 7%, to € 1.5 billion compared to the second quarter 2003. For the first half of 2004 underlying pre-tax profit was € 790 million, an increase of 58% from the first half 2003. Provision for credit losses for the second quarter of 2004 was € 66 million, which was largely in line with the second quarter of 2003.

Private & Business Clients (PBC) generated an underlying pre-tax profit of € 244 million in the second quarter of 2004. Reported pre-tax income was lower by € 25 million, which represented PBC's share of the aforementioned loss from the sale of DB Payments. These results demonstrate that PBC is on track to deliver on its demanding full-year target of underlying pre-tax profit of € 1 billion. In the second quarter of 2004 underlying revenues of € 1.1 billion were in line with the second quarter 2003, which included a € 55 million gain on the sale of securities available for sale. In 2004 the benefit of this gain was replaced by higher revenues from loan and deposit products due to improved margins, and to growth in loan volumes. The operating cost base of € 796 million was down € 89 million, or 10%, compared to the second quarter 2003, with most of the reduction attributable to lower severance payments. The underlying cost/income ratio improved to 72%, down 7 percentage points from the second quarter 2003. For the first half of 2004 underlying pre-tax profit was € 499 million compared to € 291 million for the first half of 2003.

Asset and Wealth Management (AWM) reported an underlying pre-tax profit of € 136 million in the second quarter of 2004 compared to € 108 million in the second quarter of 2003, an increase of 26%. Underlying revenues of € 847 million remained slightly below the second quarter 2003. For the first half of 2004 underlying pre-tax profit was € 291 million, an increase of € 82 million from the first half 2003. During the second quarter, portfolio/fund management revenues in Asset Management suffered from lower performance fees because of continued difficult market conditions in certain countries in Continental Europe and market corrections that impacted the bank's hedge fund business. Additionally, revenues were affected by shifts in the U.K. institutional market away from large-scale balanced portfolios. Invested assets within Asset Management declined by € 15 billion, or 2% from the first quarter 2004. Net asset outflows accounted for € 8 billion of this decline, largely a result of a € 5 billion decline in our institutional distribution channel. We continue to see growth in our alternative investment business with a positive € 1 billion in net new assets. The decline in revenues in Asset Management was partially offset by higher portfolio/fund management revenues in Private Wealth Management, which benefited from higher invested asset levels generated by net new money inflows. Revenues from other products in the second quarter 2004 included a gain from the sale of a collateral obtained on a defaulted loan. AWM's operating cost base was € 711 million in the second quarter of 2004. The decline of € 21 million compared to the second quarter 2003 was mostly attributable to reduced performance-based compensation.

Corporate Investments Group Division

Corporate Investments (CI) reported an underlying pre-tax profit in the second quarter of 2004 of € 128 million, compared to € 30 million in the second quarter of 2003. For the first half of 2004 underlying pre-tax profit was € 20 million compared to a pre-tax loss of € 132 million for the first half 2003. The improvement this year reflected the success of the strategy to de-risk the bank by reducing its exposure to alternative assets. This is evidenced by a 56% reduction in CI's alternative assets to € 2.3 billion at June 30, 2004 compared to € 5.2 billion at the end of the second quarter of 2003. Underlying revenues were € 224 million in the second quarter of 2004 compared to € 265 million in the second quarter 2003. Both quarters included dividend income of approximately € 200 million from the bank's industrial holdings portfolio. The decline in underlying revenues includes the effect of the deconsolidation of Tele Columbus and maxblue Americas, which together contributed combined net revenues of € 51 million in the second quarter of 2003. Reported net revenues of € 276 million in the second quarter of 2004 included net gains from the sale of industrial holdings of € 100 million, net losses from equity method investments and other investments of € 57 million, and net gains related to businesses sold of € 8 million. All of these items are excluded from underlying revenues. CI's operating cost base was € 89 million in the second quarter 2004, including the cost of eliminating excess space resulting from headcount reductions and the sale of businesses totaling € 39 million. Similar charges in the second quarter of 2003 amounted to € 55 million. The decrease of € 141 million in the operating cost base from 2003 also reflected reductions resulting from the sale of Tele Columbus and maxblue Americas as well as project-related costs in 2003.

Note regarding use of “Net income before reversal of 1999/2000 credits for tax rate changes”

Management believes that “Net income before reversal of 1999/2000 credits for tax rate changes” provides a more useful indication of the Bank’s financial performance for the reasons described below.

Deutsche Bank’s reported “Net income” is impacted by the U.S. GAAP accounting treatment of German tax law changes in 1999 and 2000. The accounting treatment, and the tax law changes, which exempt from income taxes the capital gains on eligible equity securities, are explained in greater detail on pages 4 to 5 of the Financial Report 2003 and on pages 73 to 75 of the SEC Form 20-F of March 25, 2004, which should be read in conjunction with this explanation.

This accounting treatment requires the recognition of an income tax charge (the “Reversal of 1999/2000 credits for tax rate changes”) on certain capital gains during the period in which the eligible equity securities are sold, even though such gains are exempt from tax. The charge has no economic effect, and, therefore, does not fully reflect our results.

Report of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm

To the Supervisory Board of Deutsche Bank Aktiengesellschaft

We have reviewed the accompanying consolidated balance sheet of Deutsche Bank Aktiengesellschaft and subsidiaries (Deutsche Bank Group) as of June 30, 2004, and the related consolidated statements of income and comprehensive income for the three month and six month periods ended June 30, 2004 and 2003, and the related statements of changes in shareholders' equity and cash flows for the six month periods ended June 30, 2004 and 2003. These condensed consolidated financial statements are the responsibility of Deutsche Bank Group's management.

We conducted our review in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States). A review of interim financial information consists principally of applying analytical procedures and making inquiries of persons responsible for financial and accounting matters. It is substantially less in scope than an audit conducted in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States), the objective of which is the expression of an opinion regarding the financial statements taken as a whole. Accordingly, we do not express such an opinion.

Based on our review, we are not aware of any material modifications that should be made to the accompanying condensed consolidated financial statements for them to be in conformity with U. S. generally accepted accounting principles, except for the presentation of the reversal of 1999/2000 credits for tax rate changes on the consolidated statement of income, which should be presented as a component of income tax expense.

KPMG Deutsche Treuhand-Gesellschaft
Aktiengesellschaft Wirtschaftsprüfungsgesellschaft

Frankfurt am Main, July 29, 2004

Consolidated Statement of Income

Income Statement

| in € m. | Three months ended | | Six months ended | |
|---|--------------------|--------------|------------------|--------------|
| | Jun 30, 2004 | Jun 30, 2003 | Jun 30, 2004 | Jun 30, 2003 |
| Interest revenues | 7,498 | 7,509 | 14,226 | 14,410 |
| Interest expense | 6,039 | 5,837 | 11,373 | 11,432 |
| Net interest revenues | 1,459 | 1,672 | 2,853 | 2,978 |
| Provision for loan losses | 155 | 340 | 278 | 720 |
| Net interest revenues after provision for loan losses | 1,304 | 1,332 | 2,575 | 2,258 |
| Commissions and fees from fiduciary activities | 771 | 772 | 1,570 | 1,602 |
| Commissions, broker's fees, markups on securities underwriting and other securities activities | 994 | 896 | 1,976 | 1,751 |
| Fees for other customer services | 603 | 620 | 1,225 | 1,247 |
| Insurance premiums | 29 | 25 | 60 | 54 |
| Trading revenues, net | 1,416 | 1,529 | 3,452 | 3,313 |
| Net gains (losses) on securities available for sale | 153 | 202 | 218 | (194) |
| Net income (loss) from equity method investments | 37 | (62) | 199 | (708) |
| Other revenues | (67) | 251 | (4) | 856 |
| Total noninterest revenues | 3,936 | 4,233 | 8,696 | 7,921 |
| Compensation and benefits | 2,489 | 2,801 | 5,305 | 5,383 |
| Net occupancy expense of premises | 314 | 296 | 620 | 662 |
| Furniture and equipment | 47 | 44 | 92 | 86 |
| IT costs | 428 | 465 | 878 | 938 |
| Agency and other professional service fees ¹ | 203 | 195 | 373 | 379 |
| Communication and data services | 156 | 160 | 312 | 329 |
| Policyholder benefits and claims | 29 | 37 | 78 | 65 |
| Other expenses ¹ | 413 | 503 | 891 | 927 |
| Goodwill impairment | - | - | - | 114 |
| Restructuring activities | - | (27) | - | (29) |
| Total noninterest expenses | 4,079 | 4,474 | 8,549 | 8,854 |
| Income before income tax expense, cumulative effect of accounting changes and reversal of 1999/2000 credits for tax rate changes | 1,161 | 1,091 | 2,722 | 1,325 |
| Income tax expense | 412 | 503 | 1,008 | 926 |
| Income before cumulative effect of accounting changes, net of tax and reversal of 1999/2000 credits for tax rate changes | 749 | 588 | 1,714 | 399 |
| Cumulative effect of accounting changes, net of tax | - | - | - | - |
| Net income before reversal of 1999/2000 credits for tax rate changes | 749 | 588 | 1,714 | 399 |
| Reversal of 1999/2000 credits for tax rate changes | 93 | 16 | 116 | 46 |
| Net income | 656 | 572 | 1,598 | 353 |

¹ Litigation & registration related legal fees and operational risk related legal fees have been reclassified from other expenses to agency and other professional service fees. Prior periods have been restated to reflect this change.

Earnings per Share

| in € | Three months ended | | Six months ended | |
|---|--------------------|--------------|------------------|--------------|
| | Jun 30, 2004 | Jun 30, 2003 | Jun 30, 2004 | Jun 30, 2003 |
| Earnings per common share | | | | |
| Basic | | | | |
| Income before cumulative effect of accounting changes, net of tax | 1.31 | 0.97 | 3.13 | 0.60 |
| Cumulative effect of accounting changes, net of tax | – | – | – | – |
| Net income | 1.31 | 0.97 | 3.13 | 0.60 |
| Diluted | | | | |
| Income before cumulative effect of accounting changes, net of tax ¹ | 1.16 | 0.93 | 2.83 | 0.57 |
| Cumulative effect of accounting changes, net of tax | – | – | – | – |
| Net income | 1.16 | 0.93 | 2.83 | 0.57 |
| Number of shares in m. | | | | |
| Denominator for basic earnings per share – weighted-average shares outstanding | 500.8 | 588.3 | 510.7 | 587.6 |
| Denominator for diluted earnings per share – adjusted weighted-average shares after assumed conversions | 540.2 | 614.9 | 554.9 | 614.8 |

¹ Including effect of derivatives on net income applicable for the calculation of diluted earnings per share. The effect for the three and six months ended June 30, 2004 was each € (0.05).

Consolidated Statement of Comprehensive Income

Statement of Comprehensive Income

| in € m. | Three months ended | | Six months ended | |
|--|--------------------|--------------|------------------|--------------|
| | Jun 30, 2004 | Jun 30, 2003 | Jun 30, 2004 | Jun 30, 2003 |
| Net income | 656 | 572 | 1,598 | 353 |
| Reversal of 1999/2000 credits for tax rate changes | 93 | 16 | 116 | 46 |
| Unrealized gains (losses) on securities available for sale | | | | |
| Unrealized net gains arising during the period, net of tax and other | 545 | 1,142 | 132 | 264 |
| Net reclassification adjustment for realized net (gains) losses, net of applicable tax and other | (115) | (176) | (172) | 377 |
| Unrealized net gains (losses) on derivatives hedging variability of cash flows, net of tax | (38) | 15 | (22) | (10) |
| Foreign currency translation | | | | |
| Unrealized net gains (losses) arising during the period, net of tax | (37) | (301) | 313 | (442) |
| Net reclassification adjustment for realized net (gains) losses, net of tax | – | – | 6 | (41) |
| Total other comprehensive income | 448 | 696 | 373 | 194 |
| Comprehensive income | 1,104 | 1,268 | 1,971 | 547 |

Consolidated Balance Sheet

Assets

| in € m. | Jun 30, 2004 | Dec 31, 2003 |
|--|----------------|----------------|
| Cash and due from banks | 9,993 | 6,636 |
| Interest-earning deposits with banks | 22,666 | 14,649 |
| Central bank funds sold and securities purchased under resale agreements | 119,257 | 112,419 |
| Securities borrowed | 83,339 | 72,796 |
| Bonds and other fixed-income securities | 207,957 | 204,324 |
| Equity shares and other variable-yield securities | 75,244 | 66,306 |
| Positive market values from derivative financial instruments | 62,192 | 65,460 |
| Other trading assets | 8,909 | 9,281 |
| Total trading assets | 354,302 | 345,371 |
| Securities available for sale | 21,676 | 24,631 |
| Other investments | 7,989 | 8,570 |
| Loans, net | 141,880 | 144,946 |
| Premises and equipment, net | 5,834 | 5,786 |
| Goodwill | 6,899 | 6,735 |
| Other intangible assets, net | 1,170 | 1,122 |
| Other assets related to insurance business | 8,796 | 8,249 |
| Due from customers on acceptances | 106 | 60 |
| Accrued interest receivable | 3,919 | 3,612 |
| Pending securities transactions past settlement date | 12,169 | 11,082 |
| Other assets | 49,190 | 36,950 |
| Total assets | 849,185 | 803,614 |

Liabilities and Shareholders' Equity

| in € m. | Jun 30, 2004 | Dec 31, 2003 |
|---|----------------|----------------|
| Noninterest-bearing deposits | 31,299 | 28,168 |
| Interest-bearing deposits | 303,162 | 277,986 |
| Total deposits | 334,461 | 306,154 |
| Bonds and other fixed-income securities | 78,411 | 66,685 |
| Equity shares and other variable-yield securities | 26,829 | 25,382 |
| Negative market values from derivative financial instruments | 62,072 | 61,167 |
| Total trading liabilities | 167,312 | 153,234 |
| Central bank funds purchased and securities sold under repurchase agreements | 107,832 | 102,433 |
| Securities loaned | 17,343 | 14,817 |
| Other short-term borrowings | 19,722 | 22,290 |
| Acceptances outstanding | 106 | 60 |
| Insurance policy claims and reserves | 9,864 | 9,071 |
| Accrued interest payable | 4,542 | 3,793 |
| Pending securities transactions past settlement date | 15,608 | 10,390 |
| Other liabilities | 43,122 | 53,380 |
| Long-term debt | 98,520 | 97,480 |
| Obligation to purchase common shares | 3,551 | 2,310 |
| Total liabilities | 821,983 | 775,412 |
| Common shares, no par value, nominal value of € 2.56 | 1,392 | 1,490 |
| Additional paid-in capital | 11,147 | 11,147 |
| Retained earnings | 18,958 | 20,486 |
| Common shares in treasury, at cost | (41) | (971) |
| Equity classified as obligation to purchase common shares | (3,551) | (2,310) |
| Share awards | 1,518 | 954 |
| Deferred tax on unrealized net gains on securities available for sale relating to 1999 and 2000 tax rate changes in Germany | (2,712) | (2,828) |
| Unrealized net gains on securities available for sale, net of applicable tax and other | 1,897 | 1,937 |
| Unrealized net losses on derivatives hedging variability of cash flows, net of tax | (25) | (3) |
| Foreign currency translation, net of tax | (1,381) | (1,700) |
| Total accumulated other comprehensive loss | (2,221) | (2,594) |
| Total shareholders' equity | 27,202 | 28,202 |
| Total liabilities and shareholders' equity | 849,185 | 803,614 |

Consolidated Statement of Changes in Shareholders' Equity

Statement of Changes in Shareholders' Equity

| in € m. | Six months ended | |
|--|------------------|---------------|
| | Jun 30, 2004 | Jun 30, 2003 |
| Common shares | | |
| Balance, beginning of year | 1,490 | 1,592 |
| Retirement of common shares | (98) | (102) |
| Balance, end of period | 1,392 | 1,490 |
| Additional paid-in capital | | |
| Balance, beginning of year | 11,147 | 11,199 |
| Net losses on treasury shares sold | – | (36) |
| Balance, end of period | 11,147 | 11,163 |
| Retained earnings | | |
| Balance, beginning of year | 20,486 | 22,087 |
| Net income | 1,598 | 353 |
| Cash dividends declared and paid | (828) | (756) |
| Dividend related to equity classified as obligation to purchase common shares | 96 | – |
| Net gains (losses) on treasury shares sold | 81 | (364) |
| Retirement of common shares | (2,472) | (1,801) |
| Other | (3) | (85) |
| Balance, end of period | 18,958 | 19,434 |
| Common shares in treasury, at cost | | |
| Balance, beginning of year | (971) | (1,960) |
| Purchases of shares | (21,754) | (15,147) |
| Sale of shares | 20,114 | 15,185 |
| Shares retired | 2,570 | 1,903 |
| Treasury shares distributed under employee benefit plans | – | 1 |
| Balance, end of period | (41) | (18) |
| Equity classified as obligation to purchase common shares | | |
| Balance, beginning of year | (2,310) | (278) |
| Additions | (1,241) | – |
| Deductions | – | 278 |
| Balance, end of period | (3,551) | – |
| Share awards – common shares issuable | | |
| Balance, beginning of year | 2,196 | 1,955 |
| Deferred share awards granted, net | 1,266 | 856 |
| Deferred shares distributed | – | (1) |
| Balance, end of period | 3,462 | 2,810 |
| Share awards – deferred compensation | | |
| Balance, beginning of year | (1,242) | (1,000) |
| Deferred share awards granted, net | (1,266) | (856) |
| Amortization of deferred compensation, net | 564 | 299 |
| Balance, end of period | (1,944) | (1,557) |
| Accumulated other comprehensive loss | | |
| Balance, beginning of year | (2,594) | (3,604) |
| Reversal of 1999/2000 credits for tax rate changes | 116 | 46 |
| Change in unrealized net gains on securities available for sale, net of applicable tax and other | (40) | 641 |
| Change in unrealized net gains/losses on derivatives hedging variability of cash flows, net of tax | (22) | (10) |
| Foreign currency translation, net of tax | 319 | (483) |
| Balance, end of period | (2,221) | (3,410) |
| Total shareholders' equity, end of period | 27,202 | 29,912 |

Consolidated Statement of Cash Flows

Cash Flow Statement

| in € m. | Six months ended | |
|--|------------------|-----------------|
| | Jun 30, 2004 | Jun 30, 2003 |
| Net income | 1,598 | 353 |
| Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash used in operating activities | | |
| Provision for loan losses | 278 | 720 |
| Restructuring activities | - | (29) |
| Gain on sale of securities available for sale, other investments, loans and other | (306) | (626) |
| Deferred income taxes, net | 367 | 371 |
| Impairment, depreciation and other amortization and accretion | 886 | 1,996 |
| Share of net loss (income) from equity method investments | (157) | 104 |
| Net change in | | |
| Trading assets | (24,089) | (46,159) |
| Other assets | (13,227) | (24,517) |
| Trading liabilities | 14,088 | 24,570 |
| Other liabilities | 10,962 | 22,323 |
| Other, net | 828 | (529) |
| Net cash used in operating activities | (8,772) | (21,423) |
| Net change in | | |
| Interest-earning deposits with banks | (9,829) | 9,070 |
| Central bank funds sold and securities purchased under resale agreements | (7,015) | (9,043) |
| Securities borrowed | (10,543) | (30,392) |
| Loans | (3,171) | 4,041 |
| Proceeds from | | |
| Sale of securities available for sale | 16,021 | 9,087 |
| Maturities of securities available for sale | 1,975 | 2,537 |
| Sale of other investments | 721 | 617 |
| Sale of loans | 3,978 | 1,420 |
| Sale of premises and equipment | 64 | 1,102 |
| Purchase of | | |
| Securities available for sale | (18,189) | (11,135) |
| Other investments | (560) | (1,507) |
| Loans | (1,826) | (3,768) |
| Premises and equipment | (350) | (433) |
| Net cash received (paid) for business combinations/divestitures | (33) | 1,510 |
| Other, net | 61 | 118 |
| Net cash used in investing activities | (28,696) | (26,776) |
| Net change in | | |
| Deposits | 28,337 | 5,223 |
| Securities loaned and central bank funds purchased and securities sold under repurchase agreements | 7,925 | 27,718 |
| Other short-term borrowings | 1,594 | 13,268 |
| Issuances of long-term debt and trust preferred securities | 14,190 | 14,250 |
| Repayments and extinguishments of long-term debt and trust preferred securities | (9,018) | (8,916) |
| Purchases of treasury shares | (21,754) | (15,147) |
| Sale of treasury shares | 20,188 | 14,671 |
| Cash dividends paid | (828) | (756) |
| Other, net | 44 | (34) |
| Net cash provided by financing activities | 40,678 | 50,277 |
| Net effect of exchange rate changes on cash and due from banks | 147 | (717) |
| Net increase in cash and due from banks | 3,357 | 1,361 |
| Cash and due from banks, beginning of period | 6,636 | 8,979 |
| Cash and due from banks, end of period | 9,993 | 10,340 |
| Interest paid | 11,151 | 11,899 |
| Income taxes paid, net | 391 | 770 |

Basis of Presentation

The accompanying consolidated financial statements as of June 30, 2004 and 2003 and for the three and six months then ended are unaudited and include the accounts of Deutsche Bank AG and its subsidiaries (collectively, the Deutsche Bank Group or the Company). In the opinion of management, all adjustments, consisting of normal recurring adjustments, necessary for a fair presentation of the results of operations, financial position and cash flows have been reflected. Certain prior period amounts have been reclassified to conform to the current presentation. The results reported in these financial statements, which include supplementary information, should not be regarded as necessarily indicative of results that may be expected for the entire year. The financial statements included in this Interim Report should be read in conjunction with the consolidated financial statements and related notes included in the Company's 2003 Annual Report and Form 20-F. Certain financial statement information that is normally included in annual financial statements prepared in accordance with U.S. GAAP has been condensed or omitted. Following is supplementary information on the impact of changes in accounting principles, segment information, supplementary information on the income statement, the balance sheet and other information.

Impact of Changes in Accounting Principles

FSP 106-2

In May 2004, the Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) issued Staff Position No. 106-2, "Accounting and Disclosure Requirements Related to the Medicare Prescription Drug, Improvement and Modernization Act of 2003" ("FSP 106-2"), which superseded FSP 106-1 issued in January 2004. The Act, signed into law in the U.S. on December 8, 2003, introduces a prescription drug benefit as well as a subsidy to sponsors of retiree health care benefit plans that provide a benefit that is at least actuarially equivalent to benefits provided under the Act. FSP 106-2 provides authoritative guidance on the accounting for the effects of the Act and disclosure guidance related to the federal subsidy provided by the Act. The adoption of FSP 106-2 is not expected to have a material impact on our consolidated financial statements.

FSP 129-1

In April 2004, the FASB issued Staff Position No. 129-1, "Disclosure Requirements under FASB Statement No. 129, Disclosure of Information about Capital Structure, Relating to Contingently Convertible Securities" ("FSP 129-1"). FSP 129-1 requires the disclosure provisions of Statement 129 to apply to all existing and newly created contingently convertible securities and to their potentially dilutive effects on earnings per share. Management is currently evaluating the effect the disclosure provisions will have on the annual financial statements.

EITF 03-6

In March 2004, the FASB ratified the consensus reached on EITF Issue No. 03-6, "Participating Securities and the Two-Class Method under FASB Statement No. 128, Earnings Per Share." EITF 03-6 clarifies what constitutes a participating security and requires the use of the two-class method for computing basic earnings per share when participating securities exist. EITF 03-6 is effective April 1, 2004 and requires retroactive adjustment to earnings per share presented for prior periods. The adoption did not have a material impact on our consolidated financial statements.

SAB 105

Effective April 1, 2004, the Group adopted Staff Accounting Bulletin No. 105, "Application of Accounting Principles to Loan Commitments" ("SAB 105"). SAB 105 clarifies the requirements for the valuation of loan commitments that are accounted for as derivatives in accordance with SFAS 133. The adoption of SAB 105 did not have a material impact on our consolidated financial statements.

FIN 46 (revised December 2003)

Effective March 31, 2004, the Group adopted the revised version of FIN 46, "Consolidation of Variable Interest Entities, an interpretation of ARB No. 51" ("FIN 46(R)"). The FASB modified FIN 46 to address certain technical corrections and implementation issues that had arisen. As a result of the adoption, total assets decreased by € 12.5 billion due to the deconsolidation of guaranteed value mutual funds. The adoption had no impact on net income, however certain offsetting revenues and charges, chiefly trading revenues, net interest revenues and charges against other revenues, are no longer reported in the consolidated statement of income beginning April 1, 2004 due to the deconsolidations.

EITF 03-1

In March 2004, the FASB ratified certain disclosures reached in EITF Issue No. 03-1, "The Meaning of Other-Than-Temporary Impairment and Its Application to Certain Investments." These decisions establish a common approach to evaluating other-than-temporary impairment for equity securities accounted for at cost, and debt and equity securities available for sale. The impairment recognition provisions are effective July 1, 2004. New disclosures will also be required beginning December 31, 2004, regarding the impairment assessment of equity investments held at cost. Management is currently evaluating the impact this new rule will have on the financial statements.

Segment Information

The Group's segment reporting follows the organizational structure as reflected in its internal management reporting systems, which are the basis for assessing the financial performance of the business segments and for allocating resources to the business segments.

In the second quarter of 2004 there were no significant changes regarding the organizational structure and management responsibility.

The format of segment disclosure has been modified for the revenue breakdown by product for the Corporate and Investment Bank Group Division to reflect current industry practice. Loan syndication revenues, formerly reported as loan products have now been included within origination (debt).

All prior periods have been restated to conform to the current year's presentation.

In June 2004 the Group's wholly-owned subsidiary european transaction bank ag (etb), which had been managed under the Private Clients and Asset Management Group Division, was deconsolidated in the course of entering into a securities processing partnership with Xchanging Holdings, which assumes the operational management of the securities, funds and derivatives processing. The etb was transferred to Zweite Xchanging GmbH, an equity method investment under the Corporate and Investment Bank Group Division.

Segmental Results of Operations

| Three months ended Jun 30, 2004 | Corporate and Investment Bank | | | Private Clients and Asset Management | | | Corporate Invest-ments | Total Management Reporting |
|---|--------------------------------|-----------------------------|--------------|--------------------------------------|----------------------------|--------------|------------------------|----------------------------|
| | Corporate Banking & Securities | Global Trans-action Banking | Total | Asset and Wealth Management | Private & Business Clients | Total | | |
| in € m. (except percentages) | | | | | | | | |
| Net revenues | 2,824 | 466 | 3,290 | 852 | 1,082 | 1,934 | 276 | 5,500 |
| Underlying revenues | 2,824 | 460 | 3,283 | 847 | 1,107 | 1,954 | 224 | 5,462 |
| Provision for loan losses | 71 | 9 | 80 | (1) | 67 | 66 | 9 | 155 |
| Provision for off-balance sheet positions | (67) | (6) | (72) | 0 | – | 0 | – | (72) |
| Total provision for credit losses | 4 | 3 | 7 | (0) | 67 | 66 | 9 | 83 |
| Operating cost base | 2,104 | 412 | 2,515 | 711 | 796 | 1,507 | 89 | 4,112 |
| Minority interest | (1) | – | (1) | 0 | 0 | 1 | (2) | (2) |
| Restructuring activities | – | – | – | – | – | – | – | – |
| Goodwill impairment | – | – | – | – | – | – | – | – |
| Policyholder benefits and claims | – | – | – | 4 | – | 4 | – | 4 |
| Provision for off-balance sheet positions | (67) | (6) | (72) | 0 | – | 0 | – | (72) |
| Total noninterest expenses | 2,036 | 406 | 2,441 | 716 | 796 | 1,512 | 88 | 4,042 |
| Income before income taxes | 717 | 51 | 769 | 136 | 219 | 355 | 179 | 1,303 |
| Add (deduct) | | | | | | | | |
| Net gains on securities available for sale/ industrial holdings including hedging | – | – | – | – | – | – | (100) | (100) |
| Significant equity pick-ups/net losses from investments ¹ | – | – | – | – | – | – | 57 | 57 |
| Net (gains) losses from businesses sold/held for sale | – | (6) | (6) | – | 25 | 25 | (8) | 10 |
| Restructuring activities | – | – | – | – | – | – | – | – |
| Goodwill impairment | – | – | – | – | – | – | – | – |
| Underlying pre-tax profit | 717 | 45 | 762 | 136 | 244 | 380 | 128 | 1,270 |
| Cost/income ratio in % | 74 | 88 | 76 | 84 | 74 | 78 | 32 | 75 |
| Underlying cost/income ratio in % | 74 | 90 | 77 | 84 | 72 | 77 | 40 | 75 |
| Assets ² | 725,478 | 19,869 | 738,459 | 37,280 | 77,897 | 115,103 | 17,957 | 843,889 |
| Risk-weighted positions (BIS risk positions) | 133,264 | 12,211 | 145,476 | 11,439 | 52,768 | 64,206 | 11,398 | 221,080 |
| Average active equity | 11,724 | 1,363 | 13,087 | 5,125 | 1,669 | 6,795 | 4,031 | 23,912 |
| Pre-tax return on average active equity in % | 24 | 15 | 23 | 11 | 53 | 21 | 18 | 22 |
| Underlying pre-tax return on average active equity in % | 24 | 13 | 23 | 11 | 58 | 22 | 13 | 21 |

¹ Includes net gains/losses from significant equity method investments and other significant investments.

² The sum of corporate divisions does not necessarily equal the total of the corresponding group division because of consolidation items between corporate divisions, which are to be eliminated on the group division level. The same approach holds true for the sum of group divisions compared to Total Management Reporting.

| Three months ended Jun 30, 2003 in € m. (except percentages) | Corporate and Investment Bank | | | Private Clients and Asset Management | | | Corporate Invest- ments | Total Manage- ment Reporting |
|--|--------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|--------------|---|----------------------------------|--------------|-------------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| | Corporate Banking & Securities | Global Trans- action Banking | Total | Asset and Wealth Manage- ment | Private & Business Clients | Total | | |
| Net revenues | 3,262 | 471 | 3,734 | 873 | 1,123 | 1,996 | 80 | 5,810 |
| Underlying revenues | 3,262 | 471 | 3,734 | 853 | 1,123 | 1,976 | 265 | 5,975 |
| Provision for loan losses | 267 | (8) | 259 | 2 | 72 | 74 | 7 | 340 |
| Provision for off-balance sheet positions | 3 | (12) | (9) | 1 | 1 | 3 | (1) | (7) |
| Total provision for credit losses | 270 | (20) | 249 | 3 | 74 | 77 | 6 | 333 |
| Operating cost base | 2,186 | 441 | 2,627 | 732 | 885 | 1,617 | 230 | 4,474 |
| Minority interest | 3 | – | 3 | 9 | 1 | 10 | (1) | 12 |
| Restructuring activities | (23) | (4) | (27) | – | – | – | – | (27) |
| Goodwill impairment | – | – | – | – | – | – | – | – |
| Policyholder benefits and claims | – | – | – | 8 | – | 8 | – | 8 |
| Provision for off-balance sheet positions | 3 | (12) | (9) | 1 | 1 | 3 | (1) | (7) |
| Total noninterest expenses | 2,169 | 425 | 2,594 | 750 | 888 | 1,638 | 227 | 4,459 |
| Income (loss) before income taxes | 827 | 55 | 882 | 121 | 163 | 284 | (155) | 1,011 |
| Add (deduct) | | | | | | | | |
| Net gains on securities available for sale/ industrial holdings including hedging | – | – | – | – | – | – | (45) | (45) |
| Significant equity pick- ups/net losses from investments ¹ | – | – | – | – | – | – | 169 | 169 |
| Net (gains) losses from business sold/held for sale | – | – | – | (12) | – | (12) | 61 | 49 |
| Restructuring activities | (23) | (4) | (27) | – | – | – | – | (27) |
| Goodwill impairment | – | – | – | – | – | – | – | – |
| Underlying pre-tax profit | 804 | 50 | 854 | 108 | 163 | 272 | 30 | 1,156 |
| Cost/income ratio in % | 66 | 93 | 70 | 86 | 79 | 82 | N/M | 77 |
| Underlying cost/income ratio in % | 67 | 94 | 70 | 86 | 79 | 82 | 87 | 75 |
| Assets (as of Dec 31, 2003) ² | 693,414 | 16,709 | 681,722 | 48,138 | 78,477 | 124,606 | 18,987 | 795,818 |
| Risk-weighted positions (BIS risk positions) | 135,547 | 14,408 | 149,955 | 12,922 | 49,761 | 62,682 | 16,762 | 229,399 |
| Average active equity | 12,793 | 1,456 | 14,249 | 5,571 | 1,527 | 7,098 | 4,990 | 26,337 |
| Pre-tax return on average active equity in % | 26 | 15 | 25 | 9 | 43 | 16 | (12) | 15 |
| Underlying pre-tax return on average active equity in % | 25 | 14 | 24 | 8 | 43 | 15 | 2 | 18 |

N/M – Not meaningful

¹ Includes net gains/losses from significant equity method investments and other significant investments.

² The sum of corporate divisions does not necessarily equal the total of the corresponding group division because of consolidation items between corporate divisions, which are to be eliminated on the group division level. The same approach holds true for the sum of group divisions compared to Total Management Reporting.

| Six months ended Jun 30, 2004 | Corporate and Investment Bank | | | Private Clients and Asset Management | | | Corporate Investments | Total Management Reporting |
|---|--------------------------------|----------------------------|--------------|--------------------------------------|----------------------------|--------------|-----------------------|----------------------------|
| | Corporate Banking & Securities | Global Transaction Banking | Total | Asset and Wealth Management | Private & Business Clients | Total | | |
| in € m. (except percentages) | | | | | | | | |
| Net revenues | 6,284 | 983 | 7,267 | 1,760 | 2,226 | 3,986 | 434 | 11,687 |
| Underlying revenues | 6,284 | 954 | 7,238 | 1,731 | 2,250 | 3,982 | 221 | 11,441 |
| Provision for loan losses | 128 | 5 | 133 | (5) | 135 | 130 | 15 | 278 |
| Provision for off-balance sheet positions | (48) | (6) | (54) | (0) | (1) | (1) | – | (54) |
| Total provision for credit losses | 80 | (1) | 79 | (6) | 135 | 129 | 15 | 224 |
| Operating cost base | 4,447 | 808 | 5,254 | 1,444 | 1,617 | 3,061 | 188 | 8,504 |
| Minority interest | – | – | – | 2 | – | 2 | (2) | (1) |
| Restructuring activities | – | – | – | – | – | – | – | – |
| Goodwill impairment | – | – | – | – | – | – | – | – |
| Policyholder benefits and claims | – | – | – | 29 | – | 29 | – | 29 |
| Provision for off-balance sheet positions | (48) | (6) | (54) | (0) | (1) | (1) | – | (54) |
| Total noninterest expenses | 4,399 | 802 | 5,201 | 1,475 | 1,616 | 3,091 | 186 | 8,477 |
| Income before income taxes | 1,757 | 176 | 1,933 | 291 | 474 | 765 | 233 | 2,931 |
| Add (deduct) | | | | | | | | |
| Net gains on securities available for sale/ industrial holdings including hedging | – | – | – | – | – | – | (150) | (150) |
| Significant equity pick-ups/net gains from investments ¹ | – | – | – | – | – | – | (32) | (32) |
| Net (gains) losses from businesses sold/held for sale | – | (29) | (29) | – | 25 | 25 | (30) | (35) |
| Restructuring activities | – | – | – | – | – | – | – | – |
| Goodwill impairment | – | – | – | – | – | – | – | – |
| Underlying pre-tax profit | 1,757 | 147 | 1,904 | 291 | 499 | 790 | 20 | 2,714 |
| Cost/income ratio in % | 71 | 82 | 72 | 84 | 73 | 78 | 43 | 73 |
| Underlying cost/income ratio in % | 71 | 85 | 73 | 83 | 72 | 77 | 85 | 74 |
| Assets ² | 725,478 | 19,869 | 738,459 | 37,280 | 77,897 | 115,103 | 17,957 | 843,889 |
| Risk-weighted positions (BIS risk positions) | 133,264 | 12,211 | 145,476 | 11,439 | 52,768 | 64,206 | 11,398 | 221,080 |
| Average active equity | 11,636 | 1,319 | 12,955 | 5,061 | 1,621 | 6,682 | 3,993 | 23,630 |
| Pre-tax return on average active equity in % | 30 | 27 | 30 | 11 | 59 | 23 | 12 | 25 |
| Underlying pre-tax return on average active equity in % | 30 | 22 | 29 | 11 | 62 | 24 | 1 | 23 |

¹ Includes net gains/losses from significant equity method investments and other significant investments.

² The sum of corporate divisions does not necessarily equal the total of the corresponding group division because of consolidation items between corporate divisions, which are to be eliminated on the group division level. The same approach holds true for the sum of group divisions compared to Total Management Reporting.

| Six months ended Jun 30, 2003 | Corporate and Investment Bank | | | Private Clients and Asset Management | | | Corporate Investments | Total Management Reporting |
|--|--------------------------------|----------------------------|--------------|--------------------------------------|----------------------------|--------------|-----------------------|----------------------------|
| | Corporate Banking & Securities | Global Transaction Banking | Total | Asset and Wealth Management | Private & Business Clients | Total | | |
| in € m. (except percentages) | | | | | | | | |
| Net revenues | 6,351 | 1,516 | 7,867 | 1,759 | 2,226 | 3,985 | (989) | 10,864 |
| Underlying revenues | 6,351 | 1,009 | 7,360 | 1,688 | 2,226 | 3,914 | 351 | 11,624 |
| Provision for loan losses | 521 | (1) | 521 | 5 | 167 | 172 | 27 | 720 |
| Provision for off-balance sheet positions | (11) | (29) | (40) | 1 | 2 | 3 | (1) | (38) |
| Total provision for credit losses | 510 | (30) | 481 | 7 | 169 | 175 | 26 | 682 |
| Operating cost base | 4,164 | 917 | 5,081 | 1,460 | 1,764 | 3,225 | 469 | 8,775 |
| Minority interest | 5 | – | 5 | 12 | 2 | 13 | (13) | 5 |
| Restructuring activities | (23) | (6) | (29) | – | (1) | (1) | – | (29) |
| Goodwill impairment | – | – | – | – | – | – | 114 | 114 |
| Policyholder benefits and claims | – | – | – | 16 | – | 16 | – | 16 |
| Provision for off-balance sheet positions | (11) | (29) | (40) | 1 | 2 | 3 | (1) | (38) |
| Total noninterest expenses | 4,135 | 882 | 5,017 | 1,490 | 1,767 | 3,257 | 569 | 8,843 |
| Income (loss) before income taxes | 1,695 | 635 | 2,329 | 264 | 292 | 556 | (1,585) | 1,300 |
| Add (deduct) | | | | | | | | |
| Net losses on securities available for sale/ industrial holdings including hedging | – | – | – | – | – | – | 347 | 347 |
| Significant equity pick-ups/net losses from investments ¹ | – | – | – | – | – | – | 884 | 884 |
| Net (gains) losses from business sold/held for sale | – | (508) | (508) | (55) | – | (55) | 109 | (454) |
| Restructuring activities | (23) | (6) | (29) | – | (1) | (1) | – | (29) |
| Goodwill impairment | – | – | – | – | – | – | 114 | 114 |
| Underlying pre-tax profit (loss) | 1,672 | 121 | 1,793 | 209 | 291 | 500 | (132) | 2,161 |
| Cost/income ratio in % | 65 | 60 | 64 | 85 | 79 | 82 | N/M | 82 |
| Underlying cost/income ratio in % | 66 | 91 | 69 | 87 | 79 | 82 | 134 | 75 |
| Assets (as of Dec 31, 2003) ² | 693,414 | 16,709 | 681,722 | 48,138 | 78,477 | 124,606 | 18,987 | 795,818 |
| Risk-weighted positions (BIS risk positions) | 135,547 | 14,408 | 149,955 | 12,922 | 49,761 | 62,682 | 16,762 | 229,399 |
| Average active equity | 13,233 | 1,487 | 14,720 | 5,799 | 1,515 | 7,314 | 5,573 | 27,608 |
| Pre-tax return on average active equity in % | 26 | 85 | 32 | 9 | 39 | 15 | (57) | 9 |
| Underlying pre-tax return on average active equity in % | 25 | 16 | 24 | 7 | 38 | 14 | (5) | 16 |

N/M – Not meaningful

¹ Includes net gains/losses from significant equity method investments and other significant investments.

² The sum of corporate divisions does not necessarily equal the total of the corresponding group division because of consolidation items between corporate divisions, which are to be eliminated on the group division level. The same approach holds true for the sum of group divisions compared to Total Management Reporting.

The following tables present the revenue components of the Corporate and Investment Bank Group Division and the Private Clients and Asset Management Group Division for the three and six months ended June 30, 2004 and 2003:

Revenue components of the Corporate and Investment Bank Group Division

| in € m. | Three months ended | | Six months ended | |
|---|--------------------|--------------|------------------|--------------|
| | Jun 30, 2004 | Jun 30, 2003 | Jun 30, 2004 | Jun 30, 2003 |
| Origination (equity) | 117 | 105 | 247 | 153 |
| Origination (debt) | 236 | 225 | 465 | 466 |
| Total Origination | 353 | 331 | 713 | 619 |
| Sales & Trading (equity) | 535 | 910 | 1,327 | 1,511 |
| Sales & Trading (debt and other products) | 1,640 | 1,756 | 3,534 | 3,525 |
| Total Sales & Trading | 2,175 | 2,666 | 4,861 | 5,037 |
| Advisory | 117 | 104 | 212 | 224 |
| Loan products | 259 | 307 | 642 | 688 |
| Transaction services | 460 | 471 | 954 | 1,009 |
| Other | (73) | (146) | (114) | 291 |
| Total | 3,290 | 3,734 | 7,267 | 7,867 |

Revenue components of the Private Clients and Asset Management Group Division

| in € m. | Three months ended | | Six months ended | |
|---|--------------------|--------------|------------------|--------------|
| | Jun 30, 2004 | Jun 30, 2003 | Jun 30, 2004 | Jun 30, 2003 |
| Portfolio/fund management | 609 | 642 | 1,222 | 1,258 |
| Brokerage ¹ | 394 | 397 | 848 | 824 |
| Loan/deposit | 596 | 576 | 1,185 | 1,173 |
| Payments, account & remaining financial services ¹ | 214 | 201 | 413 | 391 |
| Other | 121 | 180 | 317 | 340 |
| Total | 1,934 | 1,996 | 3,986 | 3,985 |

¹ Subsequent to the presentation of first quarter results on April 30, 2004, revenues of € 7.1 million have been reclassified from payments, account & remaining financial services to brokerage for the first quarter of 2004. This reclassification had no impact on total revenues and income before income taxes.

Reconciliation of Segmental Results of Operations to Consolidated Results of Operations According to U.S. GAAP

| in € m. | Jun 30, 2004 | | | Three months ended Jun 30, 2003 | | |
|--|----------------------------|-----------------------------|--------------------|------------------------------------|-----------------------------|----------------------|
| | Total Management Reporting | Consolidation & Adjustments | Total Consolidated | Total Management Reporting | Consolidation & Adjustments | Total Consolidated |
| | Net revenues | 5,500 | (105) | 5,395 | 5,810 | 95 |
| Provision for loan losses | 155 | – | 155 | 340 | – | 340 |
| Noninterest expenses | 4,042 | 36 | 4,079 | 4,459 | 15 | 4,474 |
| Income (loss) before income taxes | 1,303 | (141) | 1,161 | 1,011 | 80 | 1,091 |
| Total assets | 843,889 | 5,296 | 849,185 | 795,818 ¹ | 7,796 ¹ | 803,614 ¹ |
| Risk-weighted positions (BIS risk positions) | 221,080 | 1,441 | 222,521 | 229,399 | 2,313 | 231,712 |
| Average active equity | 23,912 | 1,606 | 25,519 | 26,337 | 2,127 | 28,464 |

¹ As of December 31, 2003.

| in € m. | Jun 30, 2004 | | | Six months ended Jun 30, 2003 | | |
|--|----------------------------|-----------------------------|--------------------|----------------------------------|-----------------------------|----------------------|
| | Total Management Reporting | Consolidation & Adjustments | Total Consolidated | Total Management Reporting | Consolidation & Adjustments | Total Consolidated |
| | Net revenues | 11,687 | (138) | 11,549 | 10,864 | 35 |
| Provision for loan losses | 278 | – | 278 | 720 | – | 720 |
| Noninterest expenses | 8,477 | 71 | 8,549 | 8,843 | 11 | 8,854 |
| Income (loss) before income taxes | 2,931 | (209) | 2,722 | 1,300 | 25 | 1,325 |
| Total assets | 843,889 | 5,296 | 849,185 | 795,818 ¹ | 7,796 ¹ | 803,614 ¹ |
| Risk-weighted positions (BIS risk positions) | 221,080 | 1,441 | 222,521 | 229,399 | 2,313 | 231,712 |
| Average active equity | 23,630 | 1,925 | 25,555 | 27,608 | 1,313 | 28,921 |

¹ As of December 31, 2003.

Consolidation & Adjustments reconciles the total results according to management reporting to the consolidated financial statements.

Loss before income taxes was € 141 million in the second quarter of 2004 compared to income before income taxes of € 80 million in the same period last year. The change over last year's second quarter was primarily driven by a significant benefit in 2003 resulting from the asymmetrical accounting treatment of positions in our own stock.

Information on the Income Statement

Net Interest and Trading Revenues

| in € m. | Three months ended | | Six months ended | |
|---|--------------------|--------------|------------------|--------------|
| | Jun 30, 2004 | Jun 30, 2003 | Jun 30, 2004 | Jun 30, 2003 |
| Net interest revenues | 1,459 | 1,672 | 2,853 | 2,978 |
| Trading revenues, net | 1,416 | 1,529 | 3,452 | 3,313 |
| Total net interest and trading revenues | 2,875 | 3,201 | 6,305 | 6,291 |
| Breakdown by Group Division/CIB product: | | | | |
| Sales & Trading (equity) | 292 | 779 | 813 | 1,290 |
| Sales & Trading (debt and other products) | 1,478 | 1,507 | 3,131 | 3,158 |
| Total Sales & Trading | 1,770 | 2,286 | 3,944 | 4,448 |
| Loan products ¹ | 182 | 157 | 408 | 407 |
| Transaction services | 201 | 221 | 409 | 458 |
| Remaining products ² | (80) | (115) | (84) | (157) |
| Total Corporate and Investment Bank | 2,072 | 2,548 | 4,679 | 5,155 |
| Private Clients and Asset Management | 676 | 630 | 1,557 | 1,295 |
| Corporate Investments | 180 | 54 | 140 | 31 |
| Consolidation & Adjustments | (54) | (31) | (71) | (189) |
| Total net interest and trading revenues | 2,875 | 3,201 | 6,305 | 6,291 |

¹ Includes the net interest spread on loans as well as the results of credit default swaps used to hedge our loan exposure.

² Includes net interest and trading revenues of origination, advisory and other products.

Pensions and Other Postretirement Benefits

| in € m. | Pension benefits | | Postretirement benefits | |
|--|------------------|--------------|-------------------------|--------------|
| | Jun 30, 2004 | Jun 30, 2003 | Jun 30, 2004 | Jun 30, 2003 |
| Service cost | 124 | 151 | 4 | 2 |
| Interest cost | 194 | 202 | 6 | 3 |
| Expected return on plan assets | (195) | (221) | – | – |
| Actuarial loss recognized | 30 | 36 | – | – |
| Settlement/curtailment | – | (4) | – | – |
| Amortization of unrecognized transition obligation (asset) | 5 | (4) | – | – |
| Total defined benefit plans | 158 | 160 | 10 | 5 |
| Defined contribution plans | 78 | 88 | – | – |
| Net periodic benefit expense | 236 | 248 | 10 | 5 |

In addition to the contributions expected for 2004 as disclosed in the Financial Report 2003 on page 98, a special contribution of approximately € 8 million was made in the United Kingdom in June 2004.

As a result, the Group expects to fund its pension schemes in 2004 for a total of approximately € 260 million.

SFAS 123 Pro forma Information

| in € m. | Three months ended | | Six months ended | |
|---|--------------------|--------------|------------------|--------------|
| | Jun 30, 2004 | Jun 30, 2003 | Jun 30, 2004 | Jun 30, 2003 |
| Net income, as reported | 656 | 572 | 1,598 | 353 |
| Add: Share-based compensation expense included in reported net income, net of related tax effects ¹ | 140 | 50 | 265 | 148 |
| Deduct: Share-based compensation expense determined under fair value method for all awards, net of related tax effects ¹ | (142) | (45) | (269) | (54) |
| Pro forma net income | 654 | 577 | 1,594 | 447 |
| Earnings per share | | | | |
| Basic – as reported | € 1.31 | € 0.97 | € 3.13 | € 0.60 |
| Basic – pro forma | € 1.31 | € 0.98 | € 3.12 | € 0.76 |
| Diluted – as reported ² | € 1.16 | € 0.93 | € 2.83 | € 0.57 |
| Diluted – pro forma ² | € 1.16 | € 0.94 | € 2.82 | € 0.72 |

¹ Amounts for the three and six months ended June 30, 2004 and 2003 do not reflect any share-based awards related to the 2004 and 2003 performance year, respectively. The majority of our share-based awards are granted on a date shortly after the end of the performance year.

² Including effect of derivatives on net income applicable for the calculation of diluted earnings per share. The effect for the three and six months ended June 30, 2004 was each € (0.05).

Information on the Balance Sheet

Securities Available for Sale

| in € m. | Jun 30, 2004 | | | | Dec 31, 2003 | | | |
|-------------------|---------------|--------------------------|--------------|----------------|---------------|--------------------------|--------------|----------------|
| | Fair value | Gross unrealized holding | | Amortized cost | Fair value | Gross unrealized holding | | Amortized cost |
| | | gains | losses | | | gains | losses | |
| Debt securities | 14,895 | 241 | (195) | 14,849 | 16,813 | 252 | (174) | 16,735 |
| Equity securities | 6,781 | 1,868 | (30) | 4,943 | 7,818 | 1,897 | (18) | 5,939 |
| Total | 21,676 | 2,109 | (225) | 19,792 | 24,631 | 2,149 | (192) | 22,674 |

Problem Loans

| in € m. | Jun 30, 2004 | | | Dec 31, 2003 | | |
|---|----------------|---------------------------------|--------------|----------------|---------------------------------|--------------|
| | Impaired loans | Nonperforming homogeneous loans | Total | Impaired loans | Nonperforming homogeneous loans | Total |
| | | | | | | |
| Nonaccrual loans | 4,345 | 1,093 | 5,438 | 4,980 | 1,062 | 6,042 |
| Loans 90 days or more past due and still accruing | 65 | 269 | 334 | 74 | 306 | 380 |
| Troubled debt restructurings | 86 | – | 86 | 201 | – | 201 |
| Total | 4,496 | 1,362 | 5,858 | 5,255 | 1,368 | 6,623 |

Allowances for Credit Losses

| Allowance for on-balance sheet positions in € m. | Six months ended | |
|---|------------------|--------------|
| | Jun 30, 2004 | Jun 30, 2003 |
| Balance, beginning of year | 3,281 | 4,317 |
| Provision for loan losses | 278 | 720 |
| Net charge-offs | (766) | (900) |
| Charge-offs | (837) | (962) |
| Recoveries | 71 | 62 |
| Allowance related to acquisitions/divestitures | – | (104) |
| Foreign currency translation | 23 | (150) |
| Balance, end of period | 2,816 | 3,883 |

| Allowance for off-balance sheet positions in € m. | Six months ended | |
|--|------------------|--------------|
| | Jun 30, 2004 | Jun 30, 2003 |
| Balance, beginning of year | 416 | 485 |
| Provision for credit losses on lending-related commitments | (54) | (37) |
| Allowance related to acquisitions/divestitures | – | 4 |
| Foreign currency translation | 3 | (11) |
| Balance, end of period | 365 | 441 |

Long-term Debt

| in € m. | Jun 30, 2004 | Dec 31, 2003 |
|--------------------------|---------------|---------------|
| Senior debt | | |
| Bonds and notes | | |
| Fixed rate | 47,166 | 47,364 |
| Floating rate | 37,253 | 37,217 |
| Subordinated debt | | |
| Bonds and notes | | |
| Fixed rate | 10,129 | 10,379 |
| Floating rate | 3,972 | 2,520 |
| Total | 98,520 | 97,480 |

Other Financial Information

Variable Interest Entities (VIEs)

The following table includes information on consolidated and significant non-consolidated VIEs under FIN 46(R).

| Jun 30, 2004, in € m. | Consolidated VIEs | | Significant VIEs |
|--|-------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|
| | Aggregated total assets | Aggregated total assets | Maximum exposure to loss |
| Commercial paper programs | 2,336 | 17,945 | 21,136 |
| Guaranteed value mutual funds | 600 | 6,591 | 6,591 |
| Asset securitization and other | 12,182 | 1,620 | 251 |
| Commercial real estate leasing vehicles and closed-end funds | 1,069 | 2,069 | 94 |

Substantially all of the consolidated assets of the variable interest entities act as collateral for related consolidated liabilities. The holders of these liabilities have no recourse to the Group, except to the extent the Group guarantees the value of the mutual fund units that investors purchase. The maximum exposure to loss related to the significant non-consolidated guaranteed value mutual funds results primarily from the above mentioned guarantees. The Group's maximum exposure to loss from the commercial paper programs that it has a significant interest in is equivalent to the contract amount of its liquidity facilities. The liquidity facilities create only limited credit exposure since the Group is not required to provide funding if the assets of the vehicle are in default.

Financial Instruments with Off-Balance Sheet Credit Risk

| in € m. | Jun 30, 2004 | Dec 31, 2003 |
|--|----------------|----------------|
| Commitments to extend credit | | |
| Fixed rates ¹ | 22,845 | 22,318 |
| Variable rates ² | 85,317 | 66,566 |
| Financial guarantees, standby letters of credit and performance guarantees | 24,577 | 23,772 |
| Total | 132,739 | 112,656 |

¹ Includes commitments to extend commercial letters of credit and guarantees of € 2.3 billion both at June 30, 2004 and December 31, 2003.

² Includes commitments to extend commercial letters of credit and guarantees of € 1.1 billion and € 0.8 billion at June 30, 2004 and December 31, 2003, respectively.

Value-at-risk by Risk Category¹

| in € m. | Value-at-risk total | | Interest rate risk | | Equity price risk | | Commodity price risk | | Foreign exchange risk | |
|------------------------------------|---------------------|------|--------------------|------|-------------------|------|----------------------|------|-----------------------|------|
| | 2004 | 2003 | 2004 | 2003 | 2004 | 2003 | 2004 | 2003 | 2004 | 2003 |
| Value-at-risk ² | 87.6 | 60.0 | 81.3 | 52.6 | 33.0 | 27.3 | 7.1 | 7.1 | 13.2 | 6.8 |
| Minimum value-at-risk ³ | 54.5 | 32.3 | 47.7 | 27.6 | 19.9 | 13.0 | 4.8 | 3.3 | 4.8 | 3.2 |
| Maximum value-at-risk ³ | 97.9 | 72.1 | 86.2 | 64.1 | 40.5 | 37.0 | 9.4 | 16.7 | 18.4 | 17.5 |
| Average value-at-risk ³ | 74.1 | 48.4 | 66.2 | 45.9 | 28.9 | 21.9 | 7.3 | 6.4 | 9.5 | 7.7 |

¹ All figures for 1-day holding period; 99% confidence level (CIB trading units only).

² Figures for 2003 as of December 31, 2003; figures for 2004 as of June 30, 2004.

³ Amounts show the bands within which the values fluctuated during the period January 1 to June 30, 2004 and the year 2003, respectively.

Capital According to BIS

| in € m. | Jun 30, 2004 | Dec 31, 2003 |
|--|---------------|---------------|
| Tier I | | |
| Common shares | 1,392 | 1,490 |
| Additional paid-in capital | 11,147 | 11,147 |
| Retained earnings, equity classified as obligation to purchase common shares, treasury shares, cumulative translation adjustment, share awards | 15,503 | 16,459 |
| Minority interests | 669 | 347 |
| Noncumulative trust preferred securities | 3,342 | 3,287 |
| Other (equity contributed on silent partnership interests) | 588 | 572 |
| Items deducted (principally goodwill and tax effect of available for sale securities) | (11,710) | (11,684) |
| Total core capital | 20,931 | 21,618 |
| Tier II | | |
| Unrealized gains on listed securities (45% eligible) | 797 | 830 |
| Other inherent loss allowance | 487 | 503 |
| Cumulative preferred securities | 853 | 831 |
| Subordinated liabilities, if eligible according to BIS | 7,276 | 6,089 |
| Total supplementary capital | 9,413 | 8,253 |
| Total regulatory capital¹ | 30,344 | 29,871 |

¹ Currently we do not have Tier III capital components.

BIS Risk Position and Capital Adequacy Ratios

| in € m. | Jun 30, 2004 | Dec 31, 2003 |
|--|--------------|--------------|
| BIS risk position ¹ | 222,521 | 215,672 |
| BIS capital ratio (Tier I + II + III) ² | 13.6% | 13.9% |
| BIS core capital ratio (Tier I) | 9.4% | 10.0% |

¹ Primarily comprised of credit risk weighted assets. Also includes market-risk equivalent assets of € 12.5 billion and € 9.5 billion at June 30, 2004 and December 31, 2003, respectively.

² Currently we do not have Tier III capital components.

Other Information

Litigation

On December 20, 2002, the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission, the National Association of Securities Dealers, the New York Stock Exchange, the New York Attorney General, and the North American Securities Administrators Association (on behalf of state securities regulators) announced an agreement in principle with ten investment banks to resolve investigations relating to research analyst independence. Deutsche Bank Securities Inc. ("DBSI"), the U.S. SEC-registered broker-dealer subsidiary of Deutsche Bank, was one of the ten investment banks. Pursuant to the agreement in principle, and subject to finalization and approval of the settlement by DBSI, the Securities and Exchange Commission and state regulatory authorities, DBSI agrees, among other things: (i) to pay \$ 50 million, of which \$ 25 million is a civil penalty and \$ 25 million is for restitution for investors, (ii) to adopt internal structural and operational reforms that will further augment the steps it has already taken to ensure research analyst independence and promote investor confidence, (iii) to contribute \$ 25 million spread over five years to provide third-party research to clients, (iv) to contribute \$ 5 million towards investor education, and (v) to adopt restrictions on the allocation of shares in initial public offerings to corporate executives and directors. On April 28, 2003, U.S. securities regulators announced a final settlement of the research analyst investigations with most of these investment banks. Shortly before this date, DBSI located certain e-mail that was inadvertently not produced during the course of the investigation. As a result, DBSI was not part of the group of investment banks settling on that day. DBSI has cooperated fully with the regulators to ensure that all relevant e-mail is produced. That effort has been completed. We expect the entire matter to be resolved shortly, and have provided for the current exposures in our financial statements.

Due to the nature of its business, the Group is involved in litigation, arbitration and regulatory proceedings in Germany and in a number of jurisdictions outside Germany, including the United States, arising in the ordinary course of business. Such matters are subject to many uncertainties, and the outcome of individual matters is not predictable with assurance. Although the final resolution of any such matters could have a material effect on the Group's consolidated operating results for a particular reporting period, the Group believes that it should not materially affect its consolidated financial position.

Reconciliation of Reported to Underlying Results

This document contains non-U.S. GAAP financial measures, including underlying revenues, operating cost base, underlying pre-tax profit, average active equity and related ratios. Set forth below are

- Definitions of such non-U.S. GAAP financial measures,
- Reconciliation of such measures to the most directly comparable U.S. GAAP financial measure.

Definitions of Financial Measures

We use the following terms with the following meanings:

- *Underlying revenues*: Net revenues less specific revenue items as referred to in the respective tables net of policyholder benefits and claims (reclassified from noninterest expenses).
- *Total provision for credit losses*: Provision for loan losses plus provision for off-balance sheet positions (reclassified from noninterest expenses).
- *Operating cost base*: Noninterest expenses less provision for off-balance sheet positions (reclassified to provision for credit losses), policyholder benefits and claims (reclassified to underlying revenues), minority interest, restructuring activities and goodwill impairment.
- *Underlying pre-tax profit*: Income before income taxes less restructuring activities, goodwill impairment and specific revenue items as referred to in the respective tables.
- *Underlying cost/income ratio in %*: Operating cost base as a percentage of underlying revenues. *Cost/income ratio in %*, which is defined as total noninterest expenses as a percentage of total net revenues, is also provided.
- *Average active equity*: The portion of adjusted average total shareholders' equity that has been allocated to a segment pursuant to the capital allocation framework. The overriding objective of this framework is to allocate adjusted average total shareholders' equity based on the respective goodwill and other intangible assets with indefinite lifetimes as well as the economic capital of each segment. In determining the total amount of average active equity to be allocated, average total shareholders' equity is adjusted to exclude average unrealized net gains on securities available for sale, net of applicable tax and other, and average dividends.
- *Adjusted return on average active equity (post-tax) in %*: Net income (loss) less the reversal of 1999/2000 credits for tax rate changes and the cumulative effect of accounting changes, net of tax, (annualized) as a percentage of average active equity. *Underlying pre-tax return on average active equity in %*: Underlying pre-tax profit (annualized) as a percentage of average active equity. *Pre-tax return on average active equity in %*, which is defined as income before income taxes (annualized) as a percentage of average active equity, is also provided. These returns, which are based on average active equity, should not be compared to those of other companies without considering the differences in the calculation of such ratios. Our capital allocation framework does not allocate all average active equity to the segments. As a result, the weighted average of the segment pre-tax return on average active equity will be larger than the corresponding pre-tax return on average active equity of the Group.

Management uses these measures as part of its internal reporting system because it believes that such measures provide it with a more useful indication of the financial performance of the business segments. The Group discloses such measures to provide investors and analysts with further insight into how management operates our businesses and to enable them to better understand our results. The rationale for excluding certain items in deriving the measures above are provided in our SEC-Form 20-F of March 25, 2004 on page F-73, F-74 and S-12 and in our Financial Report 2003 on page 108 and 109.

Reconciliation of Reported to Underlying Results

Set forth below are the reconciliations to non-U.S. GAAP financial measures starting from the most directly comparable U.S. GAAP financial measures.

| in € m. | Three months ended | | Change in % | Six months ended | | Change in % |
|---|--------------------|-----------------|----------------|------------------|-----------------|----------------|
| | Jun 30, 2004 | Jun 30, 2003 | | Jun 30, 2004 | Jun 30, 2003 | |
| Reported net revenues | 5,395 | 5,905 | (9) | 11,549 | 10,899 | 6 |
| Add (deduct) | | | | | | |
| Net (gains) losses on securities available for sale/industrial holdings including hedging | (100) | (45) | 120 | (150) | 347 | N/M |
| Significant equity pick-ups/net (gains) losses from investments ¹ | 57 | 169 | (66) | (32) | 884 | N/M |
| Net (gains) losses from businesses sold/held for sale | 10 | 49 | (80) | (35) | (454) | (92) |
| Policyholder benefits and claims ² | (29) | (37) | (22) | (78) | (65) | 20 |
| Underlying revenues | 5,333 | 6,041 | (12) | 11,254 | 11,610 | (3) |
| Reported provision for loan losses | 155 | 340 | (54) | 278 | 720 | (61) |
| Provision for off-balance sheet positions ³ | (72) | (7) | N/M | (54) | (37) | 46 |
| Total provision for credit losses | 83 | 333 | (75) | 224 | 683 | (67) |
| Reported noninterest expenses | 4,079 | 4,474 | (9) | 8,549 | 8,854 | (3) |
| Add (deduct) | | | | | | |
| Restructuring activities | – | 27 | N/M | – | 29 | N/M |
| Goodwill impairment | – | – | N/M | – | (114) | N/M |
| Minority interest | 2 | (12) | N/M | – | (5) | N/M |
| Policyholder benefits and claims ² | (29) | (37) | (22) | (78) | (65) | 20 |
| Provision for off-balance sheet positions ³ | 72 | 7 | N/M | 54 | 37 | 46 |
| Operating cost base | 4,124 | 4,459 | (8) | 8,524 | 8,736 | (2) |
| Reported income before income taxes | 1,161 | 1,091 | 6 | 2,722 | 1,325 | 105 |
| Add (deduct) | | | | | | |
| Net (gains) losses on securities available for sale/industrial holdings including hedging | (100) | (45) | 120 | (150) | 347 | N/M |
| Significant equity pick ups/net (gains) losses from investments ¹ | 57 | 169 | (66) | (32) | 884 | N/M |
| Net (gains) losses from businesses sold/held for sale | 10 | 49 | (80) | (35) | (454) | (92) |
| Restructuring activities | – | (27) | N/M | – | (29) | N/M |
| Goodwill impairment | – | – | N/M | – | 114 | N/M |
| Underlying pre-tax profit | 1,128 | 1,237 | (9) | 2,505 | 2,186 | 15 |

N/M – Not meaningful

¹ Includes net gains/losses from significant equity method investments and other significant investments.

² Policyholder benefits and claims are reclassified from “Noninterest expenses” to “Underlying revenues”.

³ Provision for off-balance sheet positions is reclassified from “Noninterest expenses” to “Total provision for credit losses”.

Reconciliation of Group Reported to Underlying Ratios

| In € m. | Three months ended | | Change | Six months ended | | Change |
|--|--------------------|---------------|--------------|------------------|---------------|--------------|
| | Jun 30, 2004 | Jun 30, 2003 | | Jun 30, 2004 | Jun 30, 2003 | |
| Reconciliation of cost ratios | | | | | | |
| Reported noninterest expenses | 4,079 | 4,474 | (9)% | 8,549 | 8,854 | (3)% |
| Deduct | | | | | | |
| Compensation and benefits | 2,489 | 2,801 | (11)% | 5,305 | 5,383 | (1)% |
| Non-compensation noninterest expenses | 1,590 | 1,673 | (5)% | 3,244 | 3,471 | (7)% |
| Add (deduct) | | | | | | |
| Restructuring activities | – | 27 | N/M | – | 29 | N/M |
| Goodwill impairment | – | – | N/M | – | (114) | N/M |
| Minority interest | 2 | (12) | N/M | – | (5) | N/M |
| Policyholder benefits and claims | (29) | (37) | (22)% | (78) | (65) | 20% |
| Provision for off-balance sheet positions | 72 | 7 | N/M | 54 | 37 | 46% |
| Non-compensation operating cost base | 1,635 | 1,658 | (1)% | 3,220 | 3,353 | (4)% |
| Cost/income ratio | 75.6% | 75.8% | (0.2) ppt | 74.0% | 81.2% | (7.2) ppt |
| Underlying cost/income ratio | 77.3% | 73.8% | 3.5 ppt | 75.7% | 75.2% | 0.5 ppt |
| Compensation ratio | 46.1% | 47.4% | (1.3) ppt | 45.9% | 49.4% | (3.5) ppt |
| Underlying compensation ratio | 46.7% | 46.4% | 0.3 ppt | 47.1% | 46.4% | 0.7 ppt |
| Non-compensation ratio | 29.5% | 28.3% | 1.2 ppt | 28.1% | 31.8% | (3.7) ppt |
| Underlying non-compensation ratio | 30.7% | 27.4% | 3.3 ppt | 28.6% | 28.9% | (0.3) ppt |
| Reconciliation of profitability ratios | | | | | | |
| Net income | 656 | 572 | 15% | 1,598 | 353 | 353% |
| Add (deduct) | | | | | | |
| Reversal of 1999/2000 credits for tax rate changes | 93 | 16 | N/M | 116 | 46 | 152% |
| Cumulative effect of accounting changes, net of tax | – | – | N/M | – | – | N/M |
| Adjusted net income | 749 | 588 | 27% | 1,714 | 399 | 330% |
| Average shareholders' equity | 28,341 | 29,841 | (5)% | 28,381 | 30,050 | (6)% |
| Add (deduct) | | | | | | |
| Average unrealized net gains on securities available for sale, net of tax and average deferred taxes relating to 1999 and 2000 tax rate changes in Germany | (1,614) | (259) | N/M | (1,749) | (132) | N/M |
| Average dividends | (1,208) | (1,118) | 8% | (1,077) | (997) | 8% |
| Average active equity | 25,519 | 28,464 | (10)% | 25,555 | 28,921 | (12)% |
| Return on average shareholders' equity (post-tax) | 9.3% | 7.7% | 1.6 ppt | 11.3% | 2.3% | 9.0 ppt |
| Adjusted return on average active equity (post-tax) | 11.7% | 8.3% | 3.4 ppt | 13.4% | 2.8% | 10.6 ppt |
| Pre-tax return on average shareholders' equity | 16.4% | 14.6% | 1.8 ppt | 19.2% | 8.8% | 10.4 ppt |
| Pre-tax return on average active equity | 18.2% | 15.3% | 2.9 ppt | 21.3% | 9.2% | 12.1 ppt |
| Underlying pre-tax return on average active equity | 17.7% | 17.4% | 0.3 ppt | 19.6% | 15.1% | 4.5 ppt |
| Equity turnover (based on average shareholders' equity) | 76.1% | 79.2% | (3.1) ppt | 81.4% | 72.5% | 8.9 ppt |
| Equity turnover (based on average active equity) | 84.6% | 83.0% | 1.6 ppt | 90.4% | 75.4% | 15.0 ppt |
| Underlying equity turnover (based on average active equity) | 83.6% | 84.9% | (1.3) ppt | 88.1% | 80.3% | 7.8 ppt |
| Profit margin | 21.5% | 18.5% | 3.0 ppt | 23.6% | 12.2% | 11.4 ppt |
| Underlying profit margin | 21.2% | 20.5% | 0.7 ppt | 22.3% | 18.8% | 3.5 ppt |

ppt – percentage points

N/M – Not meaningful

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Financial Calendar for 2004/2005

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|---------------------|---|
| October 29, 2004 | Interim Report as of September 30, 2004 |
| February 3, 2005 | Publication of figures for the 2004 financial year |
| April 29, 2005 | Interim Report as of March 31, 2005 |
| May 18, 2005 | General Meeting in the Festhalle Frankfurt am Main (Exhibition Center) |
| May 19, 2005 | Dividend payment |
| July 29, 2005 | Interim Report as of June 30, 2005 |
| October 28, 2005 | Interim Report as of September 30, 2005 |

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