

Ageas Update Bart De Smet Chief Executive Officer

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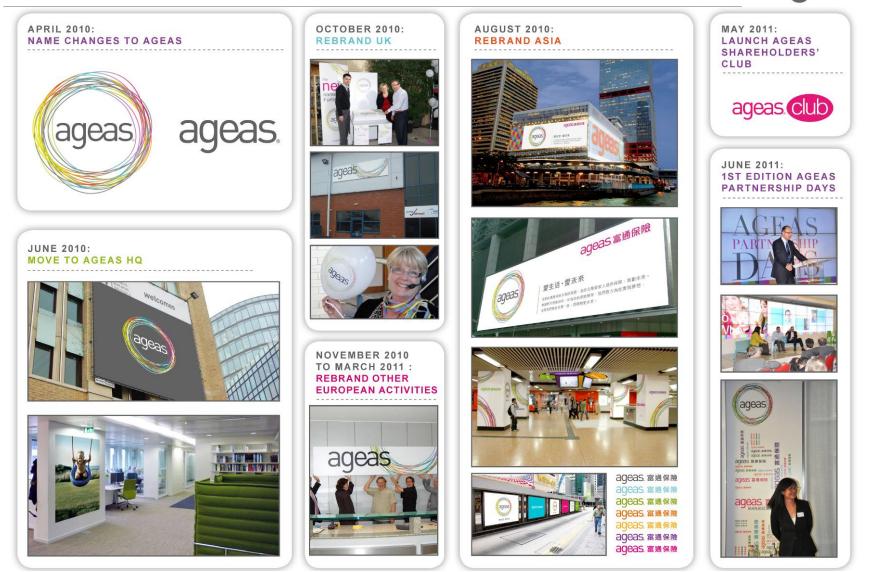
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Ageas presented the following conclusions in September 09 A solid international insurer with strong partnerships in Europe and Asia...



## Fortis became Ageas A new era & an entirely changed identity

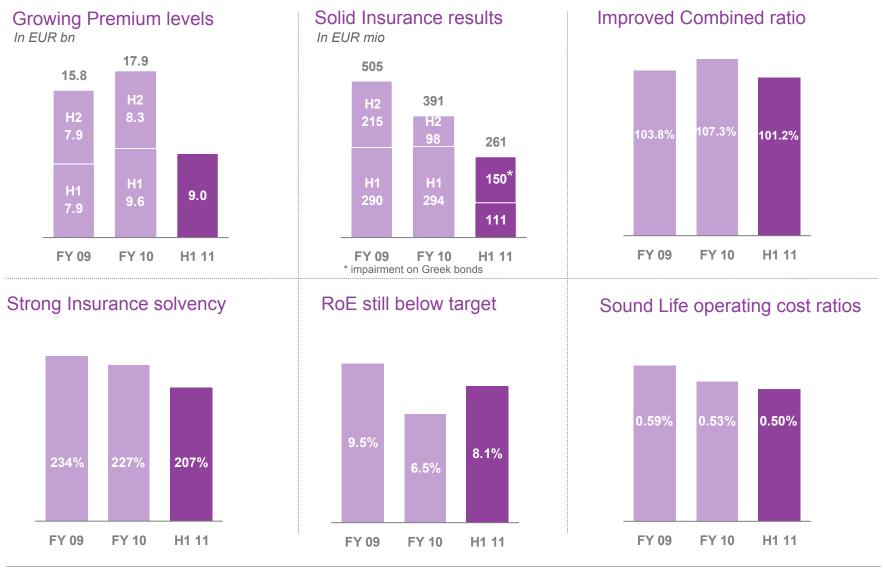
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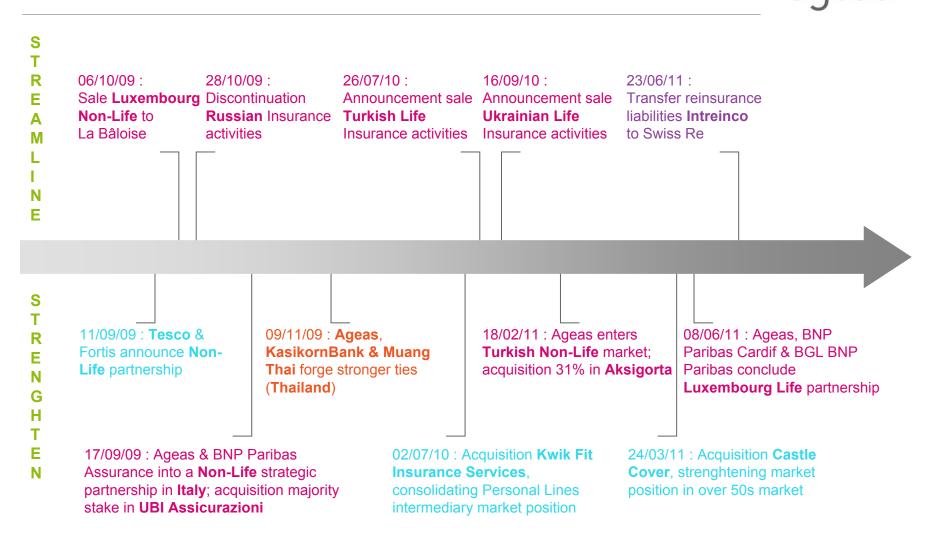
# A sound insurance group

A positive track record since 2009 despite the turbulent markets

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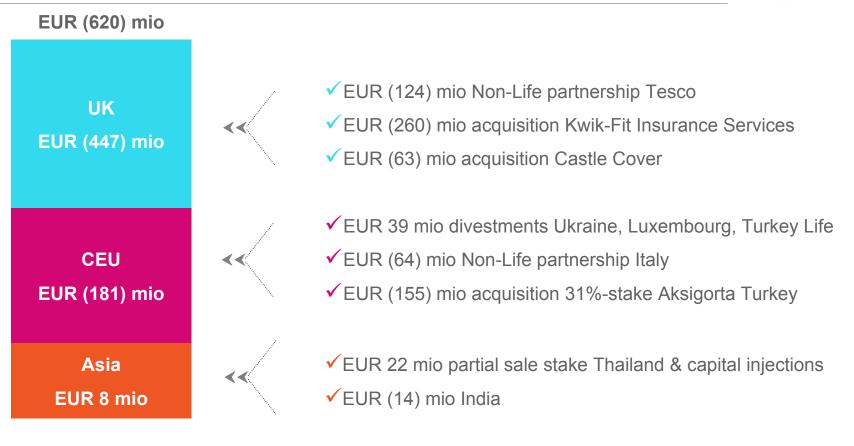


Substantial progress made in streamlining the insurance portfolio Combined with selective expansion & strengthening partnerships **ageas** 



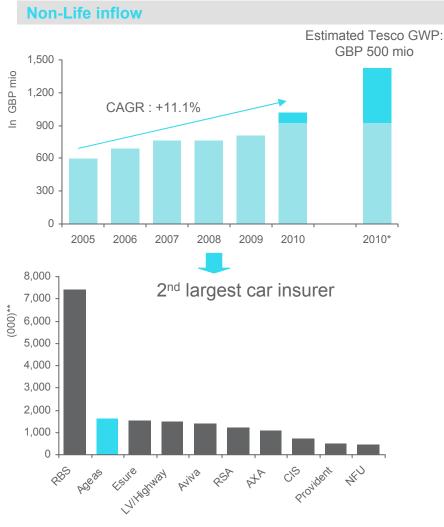
## Total net investments in Insurance business of EUR 620 mio Main investments in Non-Life & Distribution activities

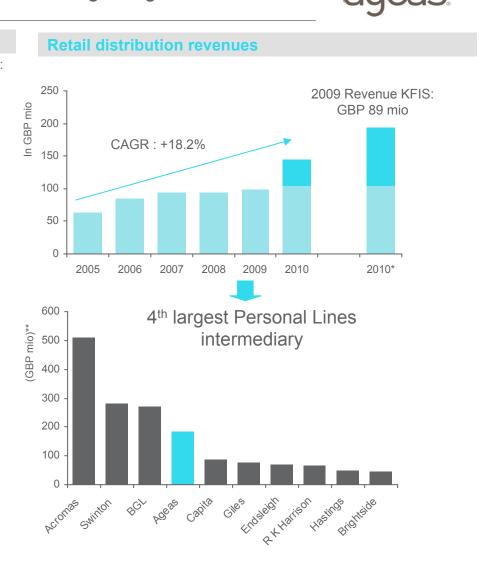




Nearly 2/3 invested amount into strenghtening existing businesses/countries
 Focus on Non-Life & cash generative fee business

## UK business is delivering significant scale change Another league player following recent acquisitions & organic growth





 $^{\ast}\,$  2010 figures restated for Kwik Fit / Tesco included for FY period  $^{\ast\ast}\,$  2009 data

### Aksigorta: new partnership in attractive growth market Actions taken to unlock the value potential



#### Strong growth realized in H1 11

- n°4 Non-Life insurer with 9% market share
- GWP growth outperforming Turkish Non-Life market growth (20%)



#### Governance structure in place

- Board representation: CEO, 3 Ageas appointees, 4 Sabanci appointees
- Importing Ageas' expertise:
  - Deputy CEO, responsible for Claims, IT and Strategic Planning
  - Chief Risk Manager
  - Ageas experts from all regions in every workstream

# Ageas – Aksigorta program to unlock potential: 3 workstreams already launched

- Agency workstream: "Profit Optimization Project"
  - First realisation: New agency commission system in place, geared towards profitability instead of pure volume generation
  - ✓ Master plan for Board approval on 12 Oct 11
- Bancassurance workstream
  - New commercial support system (mirroring bank set-up) being set up
  - ✓ Master plan to be final by Nov 11
- Claims workstream
  - New target operating model being developed
  - ✓ Master plan to be final by mid Dec 11

#### => Start of implementation as of Q4 11

- Next workstream to be launched: Motor
  - Focus will be on (1) Fraud detection and (2) Segmentation

# The renewed dividend policy of September 09 put in practice A stable dividend paid over 2009 & 2010

#### New dividend policy published in September 09

- ✓ Intention to pay a regular dividend based on the net profit of the insurance activities
- ✓ Targeting a pay-out ratio of 40-50%
- ✓ On an annual base
- ✓ Cash dividend

#### Dividend paid in 2009 & 2010 of EUR 0.08/share

- ✓ A payout ratio of approximately 50%
- Corresponding to a dividend yield of 3.5% 4% (based on share price at date of announcement), a dividend yield of around 7% (based on current share price)

# In addition, a share buy-back programme was announced in August 11

- ✓ Up to EUR 250 mio of its outstanding common stock
- Program started as of 24 August and runs until 23 February 2012
- As per 23 September, Ageas acquired 58 mio shares for a total amount of EUR 74.7 mio



General Account: good grasp of outstanding legacy issues Timing and (financial) outcome remains hard to estimate....



- Administrative, criminal and civil proceedings/investigations in Belgium and the Netherlands against Ageas and certain former directors/executives
- The litigations concern :
  - ✓ The September/October 2008 transactions: i.e. the sale of the Belgian banking activities & of the Dutch insurance and banking activities
  - Alleged miscommunication/mismanagement by Fortis in connection with certain financial events and transactions in 2007- 2008
  - ✓ Specific hybrid financial instruments : FRESH, MCS, FCC, Fortis Tier 1
  - ✓ Litigation initiated by Ageas against ABN AMRO & Dutch State



- In most legal proceedings still at the stage of first instance
- Except for criminal and administrative procedures, all legal proceedings are initiated by (former) shareholders or by associations (such as Deminor or VEB) or by specifically created groups (e.g. Stichting FortisEffect)

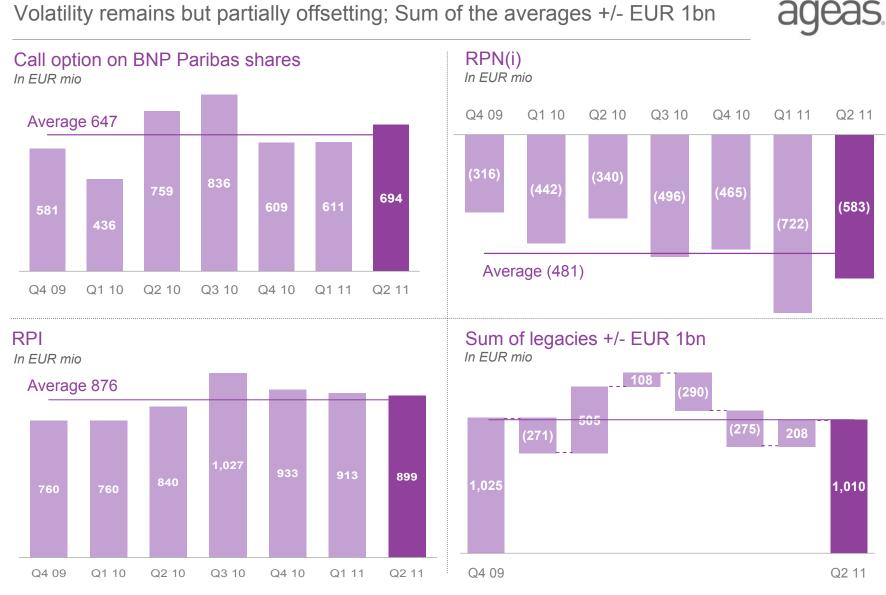
Ageas does not expect new major litigation issues to rise Judgments rendered up to now are mostly favorable to Ageas's position



Actions against Ageas	<b>June 09</b> Receipt report Belgian experts (Van Gerven/Horsmans)	<b>May 10</b> US class action dismissed	June 10 Receipt report (Ondernemings		May 11 - Claim dismissed of VEB/Deminor and FortisEffect by Amsterdam Court - Rotterdam court confirmed fine AFM I: appeal filed
Initiated by Ageas	June 09 Ageas claims compensation with respect to "FCC preferred shares" from Fortis Bank NL	<b>Sep- Dec 10</b> Ageas starts legal proc against Dutch State & A AMRO to obtain comper return for conversion of Mandatory Convertible (MCS) into Ageas' shar	ABN ensation in f Securities	<b>May 11</b> Ageas asked to meet obligations with respect to acquisiton EUR 1 bn Fortis Tier 1 Debt Securities	August 11 NBB approves exchange of uncalled Fortis Bank SA/NV Debt Securities for cash by Ageas

To be expected before end 2011:

- Report Belgian experts appointed at request of Deminor
- Judgment of Ondernemingskamer re mismanagement
- Judgment Rotterdam court re fine AFM II



Clarity gained on valuation legacy issues Volatility remains but partially offsetting; Sum of the averages +/- EUR 1bn

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#### Customers

Strong preference for guaranteed products

#### Distribution

 New banking regulation on liquidity puts pressure on distribution of insurance savings products through banks in Europe

#### **Regulation:**

- New regulation comprise heavy administrative burden on insurance companies
- New regulation incentivizes de-risking of assets at a time when risk-free yields are extremely low



- Increased focus on risk business (Life and Non-Life) and fee business in mature markets in Europe
- Lower capital consumption in mature markets allow for funding of continued growth in emerging markets



Insurance :

- Find the right balance between yield and risk in a very uncertain environment
  - ✓ Further diversify asset mix:
    - Reduce concentration risk in certain sovereigns
    - Increase position in non-sovereign fixed income
  - $\checkmark\,$  Level of guarantee that is beneficiary for both customers and insurer
- Improve underwriting results in Non-Life
- Continued focus on multi-distribution
- Bring Return on Equity Insurance above 11%

General Account : Pro-active approach in legacy issues to :

- Extract value from assets and free up capital
- Reduce volatility of the General Account

# Key priorities by segment

Focus on integration new activities & optimizing performance



#### **Belgium**

- Gradually implement target Strategic
   Asset allocation
- Improve underwriting results in Workmen's compensation
- Cost control

#### **Continental Europe**

- Adjust business mix within macro economic challenges in Portugal
- Complete the full three-way merger in Luxembourg
- Realize profitable growth in Turkey
- Further improve combined ratio in Italy

#### UK

- Fully integrate Castle Cover and KFFS acquisitions
- Bring underwriting results Household in line with strongly improved combined ratio in Motor
- Full roll-out of Tesco
- Diversify distribution in Protection

#### Asia

- Continue with controlled growth trajectory
- New regulation for distribution through banks in China
- Seek for diversification distribution in Hong Kong
- Consider entry of new country to leverage existing expertise

# ... Ageas set forward in 2009 a strict capital use program Adopting a strict capital allocation methodology

Source : Investor Day 25/09/09 Capital allocation: finding the right balance between three investment opportunities and determining a new dividend policy

<ul> <li>Invest in Businesses</li> <li>To support organic growth</li> <li>To selectively acquire</li> <li>To strengthen current Businesses</li> <li>To create new partnerships</li> <li>To explore opportunities with BNP Paribas</li> </ul>				
Return to       II <ul> <li>Pay dividend</li> <li>Buy back of shares</li> <li>Buy back of shares is EPS accretive</li> <li>Lowering of cash position reduces strategic flexibility and could pose liquidity risk</li> </ul>				
Return to debt holders       III       • Buyback of debt         • Limited amount of debt: NITSH I & II, Hybrone and FRESH         • Potential increase in NAV         • Positive carry in P&L         • Lowering of cash position reduces strategic flexibility and could pose liquidity risk				
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<ul> <li>Dividend policy</li> <li>Fortis is committed to pay a dividend in cash for 2009</li> <li>Intends to pay an annual dividend of 40% to 50% of the net profit of the insurance activities</li> </ul>				
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Balanced use of cash

Cash generation sufficient to fund growth in emerging markets & dividend

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#### May 2009 - September 2011:

A similar amount of app. **EUR 600 - 650 mio** has been spend on each of the 3 alternative uses of cash

1.Invest in Businesses

✓ Since May 2009: EUR 620 mio net invested in Insurance business

2.Return to shareholders

✓ Dividend : EUR 385 mio paid over 2009 & 2010

✓ Share buy-back : Announcement in August 2011 of a EUR 250 mio buy-back program

3.Return to debtholders

✓ EMTN program : EUR 626 mio bought back; EUR 341 mio remains outstanding

#### **Going forward :**

#### Insurance

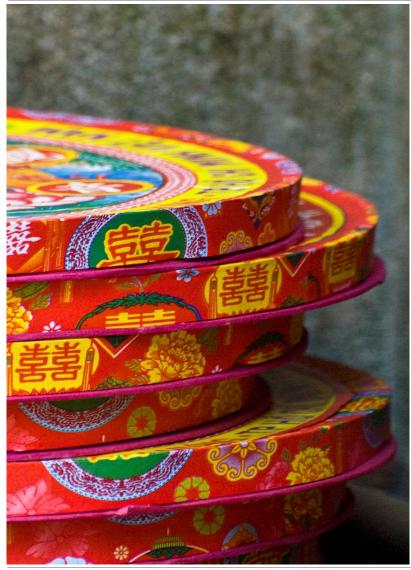
Lower growth in capital intense savings business
 Increased proportion of Non-Life and Fee related business
 allows to fund continued growth in emerging Asian markets
 & to pay an annual cash dividend of 40 to 50% of Insurance profits

#### **General Account**

 Further deployment of net excess cash will depend on evolution of uncertain environment and risk adjusted returns that can be achieved via 3 options available

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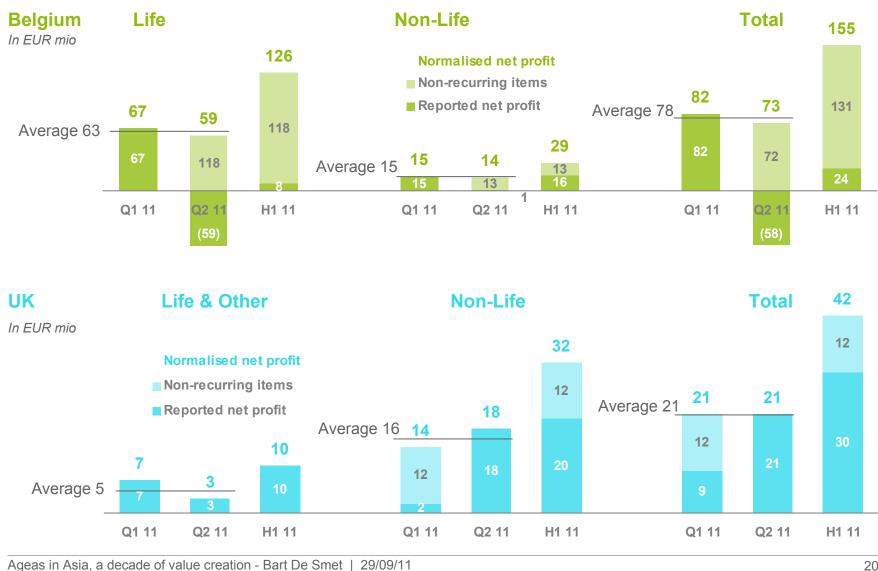
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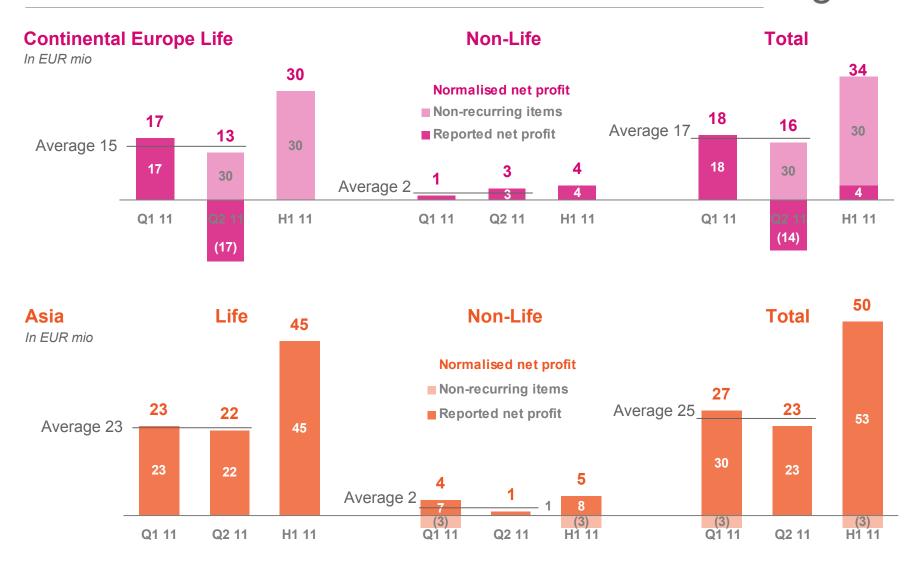
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The concept 'Discretionary capital' as an indicator for strategic flexibility was introduced in September 2009



#### 2 important reasons :

- Regulatory capital included illiquid assets
- Level of cash did not take into account contingent assets (such as the EUR 1 bn FBB Tier )

#### **Purpose :**

Indicator for potential future cash position

#### **Current situation :**

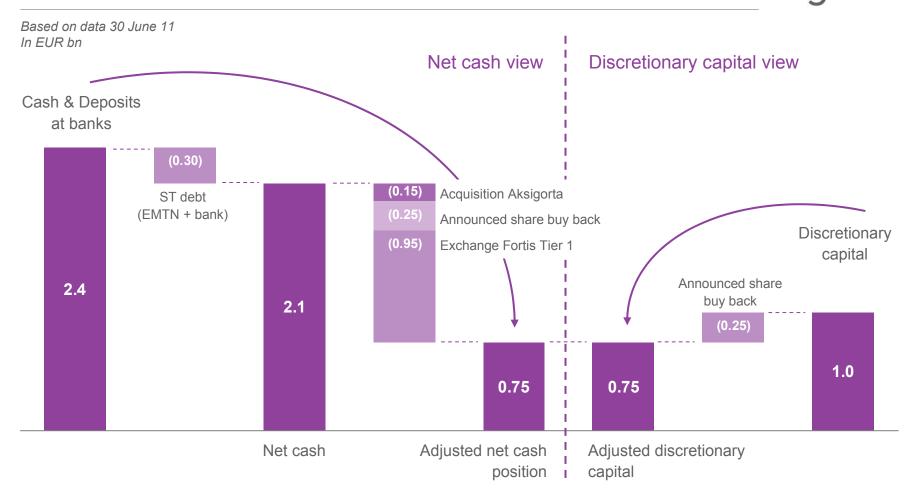
- Liabilities have been crystallized
- Cash position is equal to discretionary capital



- As Tier 1 Fortis Bank and Royal Park Investments remain illiquid, net cash position is the best indicator for strategic flexibility
- No need to continue with discretionary capital concept

# Discretionary capital served its purpose

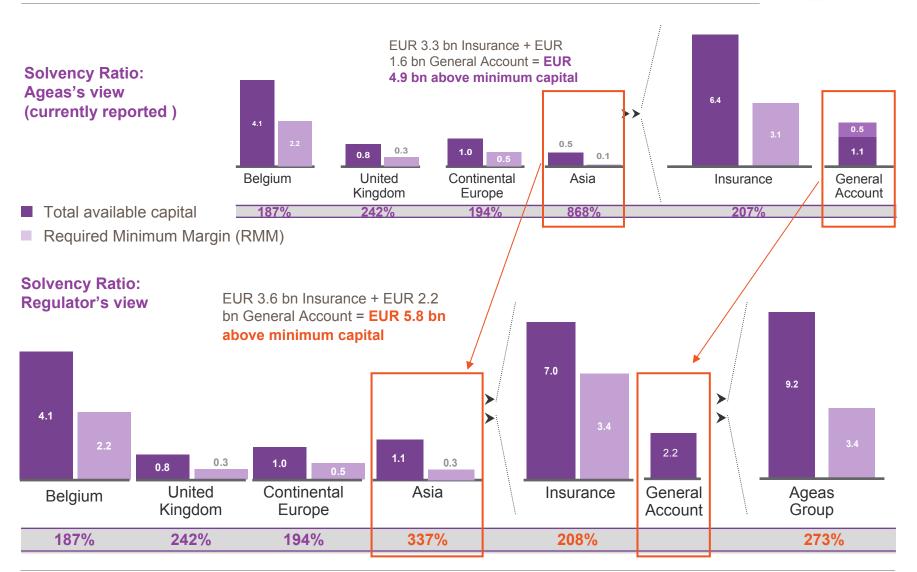
As of Q3 11 Ageas will focus on the General Account's net cash position



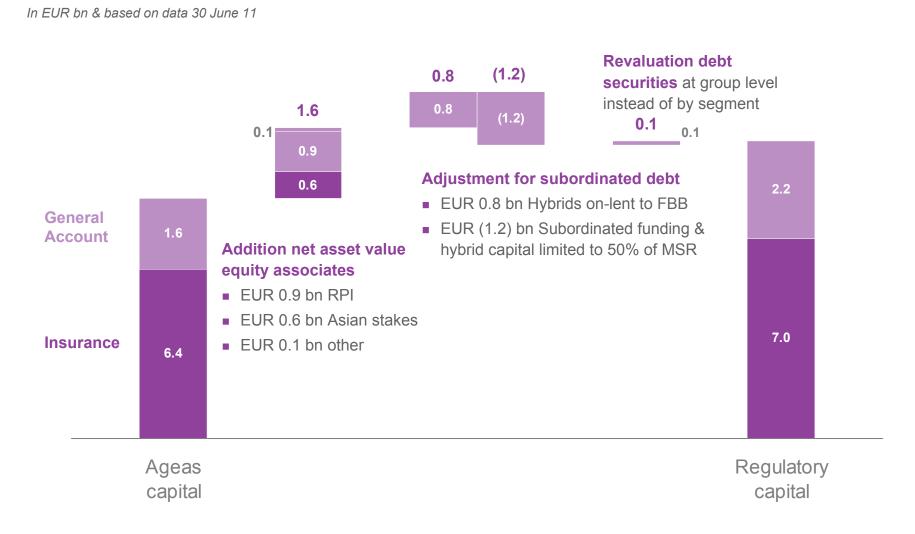
**Net cash position** General Account reflects the short-term financial flexibility to support operating insurance activities or acquire new activities, while **regulatory capital** includes the value of more illiquid assets such as Royal Park Investments and the FBB T1, reflecting the long term funding position.

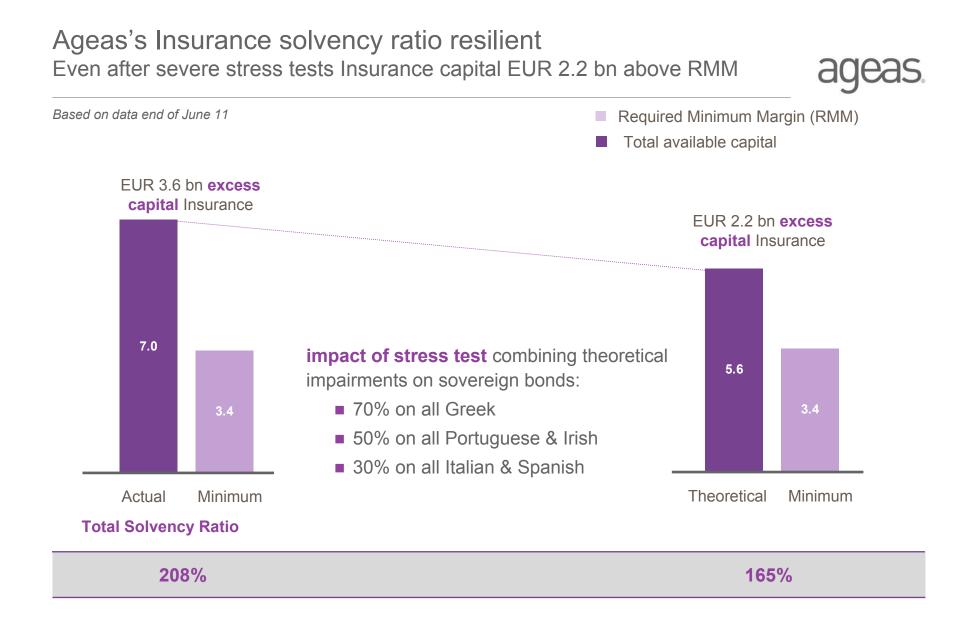
#### Ageas's aligns its capital view with the regulatory view Different treatment non-controlling interests & General Account drive increase in capital

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## Solvency increase of EUR 1.2 bn under the regulatory view Main change related to addition net asset value equity associates





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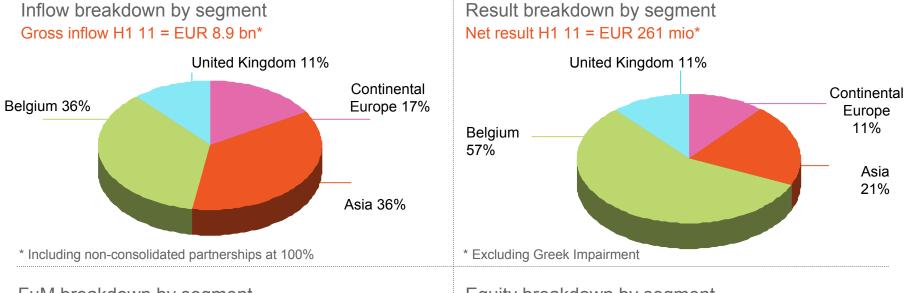


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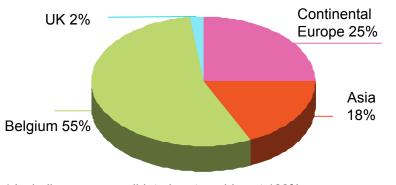
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### Growing importance of Asia within total Insurance portfolio Various views on Ageas by segment

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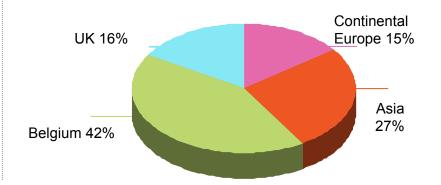
#### FuM breakdown by segment Total FuM H1 11 = EUR 94.3 bn\*



\* Including non-consolidated partnerships at 100%

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#### Equity breakdown by segment Total shareholders' equity H1 11 = EUR 5.3 bn



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# Back-up slides





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# ....A new era, and a simplified legal structure combined with a changed governance model



#### April 2009:

- The shareholders meeting appoint a new Board of Directors
- Ageas fully discloses the remuneration of the Board and the Executive Committee members

June 2009:

New executive management and revised governance structure

April 2010:

- Remuneration policy is approved by the shareholders (including the remuneration policy of the Executive Committee)
- Ageas reinforces its Board of Directors with two experienced female directors

April 2011:

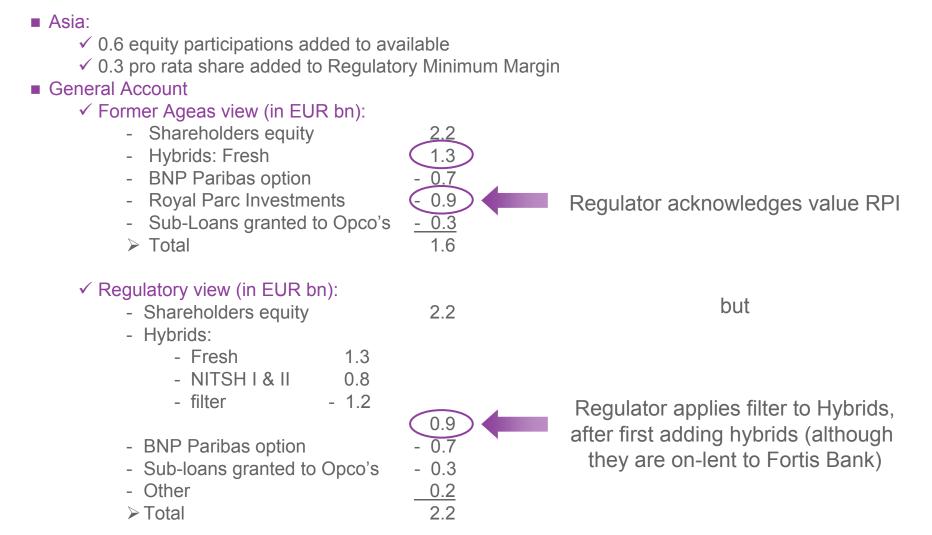
- Ageas introduces the registration date and early adopts the measures to increase the shareholders rights
- Ageas is forefronter in having the shareholders to approve the report of the remuneration committee

2010 - ... :

• Gradual simplification of the legal structure both in Belgium & The Netherlands

## Ageas's solvency measurement

A more detailed view on the Ageas' view vs. the regulatory view



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