

Press release

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Fortis Bank and Fintro adjust the interest rates on their savings products

In response to the steady fall in short-term interest rates, the recent cut in the ECB's official rate and the new savings legislation due to come into effect on 1 April 2009, Fortis Bank and Fintro have decided to adjust the interest rates applying to their savings accounts.

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Summary of interest rates (annual basis, effective 1 April 2009):

Online Savings Account (applicable up to EUR 250,000)

Base rate: 2.25 %

Loyalty premium: 0.75 %

Standard Savings Account

Base rate: 1.00 %

Loyalty premium: 0.75 %

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Young Person's Savings Account

Base rate: 1.00 %

Loyalty premium: 1.00 %

Baby Account (rates unchanged)

Base rate: 2.40 %

Loyalty premium: 0.60 %

You can find full information regarding regulated saving at Fortis Bank and Fintro, together with the Terms & Conditions for Online Accounts, at www.fortisbanking.be or www.fintro.be.

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