

ING GROEP NV  
Form 6-K  
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**SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
Washington, DC 20549**

**FORM 6-K  
Report of Foreign Private Issuer  
Pursuant to Rule 13a-16 or 15d-16  
of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934  
For March 12, 2009**

**Commission File Number 1-14642**

**ING Groep N.V.**  
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**PRESS RELEASE**

Amsterdam, 12 March 2009

**ING issues USD 2 billion guaranteed bond**

ING Bank announced today that it has placed a 5 year USD denominated government guaranteed senior unsecured bond issue. The issue of USD 2 billion was done under the Credit Guarantee Scheme of the State of the Netherlands and is part of ING Bank's regular medium-term funding operations.

The issue follows the announcement of 26 January 2009 that under the terms of the agreement with the Dutch State on an Illiquid Assets Back-up Facility, ING will pro-actively issue EUR 10 billion in government guaranteed bonds. Since then, ING announced on 30 January and 20 February the issuance of government guaranteed bonds for a total amount equal to EUR 8.7 billion. The current issue was priced at a fixed coupon of 3.90%, 145 basis points over USD mid-swaps.

ING placed the issue among a variety of financial institutions, among which central banks, agencies and fund managers in Europe, US, the Middle-east and Asia. The bonds carry an AAA rating by Standard & Poor's, Fitch and Moody's. Joint Lead Managers for the issue were Bank of America / Merrill Lynch, ING Bank, JPMorgan Chase & Co and Morgan Stanley.

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**ING Profile**

ING is a global financial institution of Dutch origin offering banking, investments, life insurance and retirement services to over 85 million private, corporate and institutional clients over 40 countries. With a diverse workforce of about 125,000 people, ING is dedicated to setting the standard in helping our clients manage their financial future.

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Certain of the statements contained herein are statements of future expectations and other forward-looking statements. These expectations are based on management's current views and assumptions and involve known and unknown risks and uncertainties. Actual results, performance or events may differ materially from those in such statements due to, among other things, (i) general economic conditions, in particular economic conditions in ING's core markets, (ii) performance of financial markets, including emerging markets, (iii) the frequency and severity of insured loss events, (iv) mortality and morbidity levels and trends, (v) persistency levels, (vi) interest rate levels, (vii) currency exchange rates (viii) general competitive factors, (ix) changes in laws and regulations, (x) changes in the policies of governments and/or regulatory authorities, (XI) conclusions with regard to purchase accounting assumptions and methodologies, (XII) ING's ability to achieve projected operational synergies. ING assumes no obligation to update any forward-looking information contained in this document.

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**SIGNATURE**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

ING Groep N.V.  
(Registrant)

By: /s/ H. van Barneveld

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Assistant General Counsel

Dated: March 12, 2009

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