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Washington, DC 20549

## FORM 6-K

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For 20 December 2013

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(1) The Press Release issued on 20 December 2013.

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#### **CORPORATE COMMUNICATIONS**

#### PRESS RELEASE

Amsterdam, 20 December 2013

# ING completes transaction with Larragoiti family to reduce stake in SulAmérica

ING announced today that it has completed a transaction to reduce its stake in Brazilian insurance holding Sul América S.A., as previously announced on 28 February 2013. Under the terms of that transaction, ING agreed to sell a stake in SulAmérica of approximately 7% to the Larragoiti family, swap its remaining indirect stake for tradable units, and unwind the existing shareholder s agreement. As previously announced, the transaction does not have a material impact on ING Group results.

SulAmérica is the largest independent insurance group in Brazil, with operations in several insurance lines. Its business lines are supported by diversified distribution capabilities including a network of more than 30,000 independent insurance brokers and partnerships with more than 20 financial- and retail institutions, adding a further 16,000 points of sale.

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ING is a global financial institution of Dutch origin, offering banking, investments, life insurance and retirement services to meet the needs of a broad customer base. Going forward, we will concentrate on our position as an international retail, direct and commercial bank, while creating an optimal base for an independent future for our insurance and investment management operations

## IMPORTANT LEGAL INFORMATION

Certain of the statements contained herein are not historical facts, including, without limitation, certain statements made of future expectations and other forward-looking statements that are based on management s current views and assumptions and involve known and unknown risks and uncertainties that could cause actual results, performance or events to differ materially from those expressed or implied in such statements. Actual results, performance or events may differ materially from those in such statements due to, without limitation: (1) changes in general economic conditions, in particular economic conditions in ING s core markets, (2) changes in performance of financial markets, including developing markets, (3) consequences of a potential (partial) break-up of the euro, (4) the implementation of ING s restructuring plan to separate banking and insurance operations, (5) changes in the availability of, and costs associated with, sources of liquidity such as interbank funding, as well as conditions in the credit markets generally, including changes in borrower and counterparty creditworthiness, (6) the frequency and severity of insured loss events, (7) changes affecting mortality and morbidity levels and trends, (8) changes affecting persistency levels, (9) changes affecting interest rate levels, (10) changes affecting currency exchange rates, (11) changes in investor, customer and policyholder behaviour, (12) changes in general competitive factors, (13) changes in laws and regulations, (14) changes in the policies of governments and/or regulatory authorities, (15) conclusions with regard to purchase accounting assumptions and methodologies, (16) changes in ownership that could affect the future availability to us of net operating loss, net capital and built-in loss carry forwards, (17) changes in credit-ratings, (18) ING s ability to achieve projected operational synergies and (19) the other risks and uncertainties detailed in the Risk Factors section contained in the most recent annual report of ING Groep N.V. Any forward-looking statements made by or on behalf of ING speak only as of the date they are made, and, ING assumes no obligation to publicly

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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 H. van Barneveld General Manager Group Finance & Control

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Dated: 20 December 2013

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