## Issuer of shares – Brussels markets

Differences between Euronext, Euronext Growth and Euronext Access



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### Introduction

- An admission to trading (IPO) offers an efficient equity financing option by facilitating raising of capital, creating room for innovation, providing access to (both domestic and international) investors and increasing visibility.
- An IPO also entails specific (legal and regulatory) requirements for companies during the admission process, and on an ongoing basis once listed
- Compliance with these various obligations could constitute a demanding constraint for listed companies as they are based upon different legal and regulatory texts which depend either on the stock exchange where the company is listed or on the nationality of the Issuer.
- The purpose of this presentation is to draw attention to the main provisions that apply on the trading venues operated by Euronext SA/NV.
- The differences between Euronext Brussels a Regulated Market -, Euronext Growth a MTF recognized as 'SME Growth Market' and Euronext Access a MTF are highlighted.
- The provisions that apply only to Belgian companies are flagged with a (B).

### **Admission Rules**

	EURONEXT	GROWTH	ACCESS	ACCESS+	
Document	Prospectus approved by FSMA before publication (Public Offer > 8M€) Information Nota (light document) supervised by FSMA after publication (Public Offer ≤ 8M€ and Non Public Offer)				
Accounting standards	Consolidated accounts in IFRS	IFRS not required for consolidated accounts (IFRS or National GAAP)			
Primary Market Rules	Applicable in case of Public Offer Minimum tranche for retail, Ban on advantages before public offer, Transparency on state of demand				
Advertisements	Advertisements approved by FSMA before publication				
Minimum Free float	$\ge 25$ % of shares in public hands or (< 25% and ≥ 5% and min. 5 m€	2,5 million€	Not applicable	1 million€	
Key Adviser	Listing Agent at the admission	Listing Sponsor (LS) at the admission and on ongoing basis	LS at the admission	LS at the admission and on ongoing basis	
Euronext & FSMA	Euronext's decision within 1 month of submission of the full documentation				
decision on admission FSMA non objection required FSMA non objection not required			d		



#### **Permanent Information**

	EURONEXT	GROWTH	ACCESS
Corporate Actions	Euronext to be informed of any Corporate Action		
Information necessary to ensure the transparency of the market			Organizational changes to be reported to Euronext
Modifications of conditions, rights and warranties attached to securities	To be disseminated without delay Not		Not applicable
Information to enable holders of titles to exercise their rights	To be disseminated promptly Not applicable		Not applicable

### **Periodic Information**

	EURONEXT	GROWTH	ACCESS	ACCESS+
Annual Accounts / Report (Audited)	Annual Report to be disseminated as Regulated Info Within 4 months after financial year Storage 10 (Euronext) or 2 (Growth) years Non Financial Information (Large Companies) – Not applicable on Growth		Annual Accounts to be published on Issuer website Within 6 months after financial year	Annual Report to be published on Issuer website Within 4 months after financial year
Half-yearly financial Report (Non Audited)	Half-yearly Report to be disseminated as Regulated Info Within 3 (Euronext) or 4 (Growth) months after semester Storage 10 (Euronext) or 2 (Growth) years Management report not required on Euronext Growth		Not applicable	Half-yearly Report to be published on Issuer website Within 4 months after semester
Accounting standards	Consolidated accounts in IFRS	IFRS not required for consolidated accounts (IFRS or National GAAP)		or National GAAP)



# **Major Shareholdings**

	EURONEXT	GROWTH	ACCESS
Legal thresholds triggering notification to Issuer and FSMA	Multiples of 5%	25, 30, 50, 75 and 95%	Not applicable
Statutory thresholds triggering notification to Issuer and FSMA (B)	1, 2, 3, 4 and 7.5%	Not below 3%	Not applicable
Publication of shareholders' notification	Applicable Not a		Not applicable

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**Market Abuse** 

	EURONEXT, GROWTH & ACCESS		
Inside information	To be disseminated as soon as possible		
Delayed publication of inside information	Possible only if certain conditions are met FSMA to be informed immediately after disclosure		
Insider lists	To be established (standard formats), updated and transmitted to FSMA upon request Publication not required		
Information concerning market soundings     To be established and transmitted to FSMA upon request       Publication not required			
Managers' transactions     To be notified to FSMA and to the Issuer by the Manager       Managers' transactions to be validated by the Issuer			



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### **Takeover Bids**

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	EURONEXT	GROWTH & ACCESS	
Mandatory public takeover bid regime	30% of voting rights	50% of voting rights	
Squeeze out regime	95% of voting rights	Not applicable	

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### **Corporate Governance** (Belgian Companies)

	EURONEXT	GROWTH & ACCESS	
Code on Corporate Governance to be applied (`comply or explain' principle) and Corporate Governance Charter to be published	Applicable	Not applicable	
Audit & Remuneration Committees to be established in the Board	Applicable except small companies	Not applicable	
Nomination Committee to be established in the Board	Applicable under the "comply or explain" principle	Not applicable	
Min. 1/3 of Members of the other sex (`gender diversity') in Board and Min. 3 Independent Directors in Board (sanctions in case of non compliance)	Applicable	Not applicable	
Maximum duration (10 years) of Audit Engagement	Applicable	Not applicable	
Corporate Governance Statement (including Remuneration Report and information on diversity) in the Management Report	Applicable	Not applicable	
Ban from acting as Director if convicted of certain serious offence	Applicable	Not applicable	



### **Companies Code** (Belgian Companies)

	EURONEXT	GROWTH	ACCESS
Specific regime for General Meetings (organization, invitation, agenda, minutes, participation, vote, proxy voting, powers)	Applicable	Not applicable	
Loyalty voting rights	Double Voting Rights Authorised Other ratio of votes not authorized		
Repurchase of own shares (takeover bid exemption under conditions)	Applicable		
Capital increase (specific rules on authorized capital and preference right)	Applicable	Not applicable	
General Meeting approval in case of transfer of min. 75% of company assets ('significant assets')	Applicable	Not applicable	
Specific regime for transactions between a listed company and a related party	Applicable	Not applicable	



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