

### Supplement No. 2 pursuant to Articles 10 (1) and 23 (5) of Regulation (EU) 2017/1129

dated 7 April 2020 to the Registration Document dated 21 November 2019 of UBS AG, as approved by the *Commission de Surveillance du Secteur Financier* (the (the "**CSSF**") (thereafter the "**Registration Document**"), which is a constituent part of the following prospectus:

• bipartite base prospectus (the "**Base Prospectus**") of UBS AG consisting of a securities note dated 26 February 2020 (the "**Securities Note**") as approved by the Swedish Financial Supervisory Authority (*Finansinspektionen* – the "**SFSA**"), as supplemented from time to time, and the Registration Document, as supplemented from time to time.

### This supplement serves as update to the Registration Document as mentioned above in connection to the following occurrence:

The publication of the annual report as per 31 December 2019 of UBS Group AG and UBS AG on 28 February 2020 (further the "**Annual Report 2019**") (please refer to the table below).

The following table shows the updated information and reason for the update of the Registration Document, as mentioned above, and the revisions that have been made as a result thereof.

This Supplement has been approved by the CSSF in its capacity as competent authority under the Prospectus Regulation.

This Supplement must be read in conjunction with any information already supplemented by the Supplement dated 13 February 2020 to the Registration Document in accordance with Article 12 (1) od Regulation (EU) 2017/1129.

Updated information and reason for the update	Revisions
Information regarding UBS AG have been updated pursuant to the above mentioned Annual Report 2019.	1. Update of the information regarding UBS AG in the Registration Document. Please refer to the following sections of this Supplement:
	Risk Factors; Information about UBS AG; Business Overview; Organisational Structure of UBS AG; Trend Information; Administrative, Management and Supervisory Bodies of UBS AG; Financial Information concering the Issuer's Assets and Libailities; Financial Position and Profits and Losses; Litigation, Regulatory and Similar Matters; Additional Information
	2. Update of the Appendix 1 – INFORMATION FOR THE PURPOSES OF ART. 26 (4) OF THE REGULATION (EU) 2017/1129. Please refer to the following section of this Supplement:
	Update of the Appendix 1 of the Registration Document

Investors who have already agreed to purchase or subscribe for the Notes, Certificates, Bonds or Securities before this Supplement is published shall have the right, exercisable within two working days after the publication of this Supplement, to withdraw their acceptances, provided that the significant new factor, material mistake or material inaccuracy referred to in Article 23 paragraph 1 of Regulation (EU) 2017/1129 arose or was noted before the closing of the offer period or the delivery of the Notes, Certificates, Bonds or Securities, whichever occurs first.

A withdrawal, if any, of an order must be communicated on or before 9 April 2020 in writing to the Issuer at its Registered Head Office specified in the address list which can be found on page 49 of this supplement.

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Save as disclosed in this Supplement, there has been no other significant new factor, material mistake or inaccuracy since the publication of the Prospectus (es).

If there has been an inconsistency between any information included in this Supplement and information included in the Prospectus (es), the information included in the Supplement should prevail.

### **1. Registration Document**

The whole section headed "3. Risk Factors" (page 4 et seq. of the Registration Document), shall be completely replaced as follows:

"Investing in the retail and wholesale non-equity securities of the Issuer involves certain issuer-specific risks. Investments in securities of the Issuer should not be made until all these risk factors have been acknowledged and carefully considered. When making decisions relating to investments in the securities of the Issuer, potential investors should consider the following material risk factors that are specific to the Issuer and which may affect the Issuer's ability to fulfil its obligations under its securities and, if necessary, consult their legal, tax, financial or other advisor.

Prospective investors in any securities of the Issuer should read the entire Registration Document and the relevant summary and securities note, base prospectus or other prospectus, either incorporating information from this Registration Document by reference or of which this Registration Document forms part, containing disclosure on certain securities (and where appropriate, the relevant summary note applicable to the relevant securities) in order to obtain all the relevant information.

The business activities of UBS AG may be affected by certain risks, including those described below, which may affect UBS AG's ability to execute its strategy or its business activities, financial condition, results of operations and prospects. A broad-based international financial services firm such as UBS AG is inherently exposed to multiple risks, many of which may become apparent only with the benefit of hindsight. As a result, risks that UBS AG does not consider to be material or of which it is not currently aware could also adversely affect it.

The Issuer has assessed materiality on a qualitative basis considering potential magnitude of the negative effects on the Issuer from the occurrence of a risk and the probability of occurrence of that risk. The Issuer believes the risk factors described below represent the principal risks inherent in investing in securities issued by UBS AG as Issuer, but additional risks and uncertainties that are not presently known or that the Issuer currently believes are not material may also adversely affect its ability to execute its strategy or its business activities, financial condition, results of operations and prospects. If any of the risks actually occur, the business, results of operations, financial condition and prospects of the Issuer and the UBS Group could be materially adversely affected.

### 3.1 Credit, liquidity and funding risks

### Credit risk in relation to UBS AG as Issuer

Each investor in securities issued by UBS AG as Issuer is exposed to the credit risk of UBS AG, including the risk that UBS AG cannot meet its obligations under the securities issued, on time or in full, and holders of securities may suffer a substantial or **total loss** on the securities. Adverse changes in the actual or perceived credit risk of UBS AG may also adversely affect the market value of securities.

The assessment of UBS AG's creditworthiness may be affected by a number of factors and developments. These include:

- Changes in market and macroeconomic conditions. Adverse changes in interest rates, credit spreads, securities prices, market volatility and liquidity, foreign exchange rates, commodity prices, and other market fluctuations, as well as changes in investor sentiment, can affect UBS AG's earnings and ultimately its financial and capital positions.
- UBS AG's exposures to the credit risk of its clients and counterparties which may cause UBS AG to experience losses resulting from its failure to properly assess such risk or from adverse conditions affecting its clients and counterparties or collateral for exposures.

- UBS AG is exposed to a large number of claims, disputes, legal proceedings and government investigations, and it expects that its ongoing business activities will continue to give rise to such matters in the future. The extent of UBS AG's financial exposure to these and other matters is material and could substantially exceed the level of provisions that UBS AG has established. UBS AG is not able to predict the financial and non-financial consequences these matters may have when resolved.
- The viability of UBS AG's business depends on the availability of funding sources, and UBS AG's success depends on its ability to obtain funding at times, in amounts, for tenors and at rates that enable it to efficiently support its asset base in all market conditions.
- Fundamental changes in the laws and regulations affecting financial institutions can have a material and adverse effect on UBS AG's business including substantial cost of implementation, reduced operational flexibility and higher operating costs. These factors may in the aggregate reduce profitability and adversely affect UBS AG's creditworthiness.
- Ever since the financial crisis, UBS AG has been and continues to be subject to significant scrutiny from regulatory authorities and to certain regulatory measures that constrain its strategic flexibility. Although UBS AG continues to invest significant effort towards meeting heightened regulatory expectations and regulatory change, failure to meet these expectation may significantly adversely affect its business and strategic flexibility.
- UBS AG's reputation is critical to the success of its strategic plans, business and prospects. Reputational damage is difficult to reverse, and improvements tend to be slow and difficult to measure. UBS AG's reputation has been adversely affected by its losses during the financial crisis, investigations into its cross-border private banking services, criminal resolutions of LIBOR-related and foreign exchange matters, as well as other matters. New events that cause reputational damage could have a material adverse effect on UBS AG's results of operation and financial condition, as well as UBS AG's ability to achieve its strategic goals and financial targets.
- UBS AG's operational risk management and control systems and processes are designed to help ensure that the risks associated with its activities including those arising from process error, failed execution, misconduct, unauthorised trading, fraud, system failures, financial crime, cyberattacks, breaches of information security, inadequate or ineffective access controls and failure of security and physical protection are appropriately controlled. If UBS AG's internal controls fail or prove ineffective in identifying and remedying these risks, UBS AG could suffer operational failures that might result in material losses, such as the substantial loss it incurred from the unauthorised trading incident announced in September 2011.

### Liquidity and funding management are critical to UBS AG's ongoing performance

The viability of UBS AG's business depends on the availability of funding sources, and its success depends on its ability to obtain funding at times, in amounts, for tenors and at rates that enable it to efficiently support its asset base in all market conditions. UBS AG's funding sources have generally been stable, but could change in the future because of, among other things, general market disruptions or widening credit spreads, which could also influence the cost of funding. A substantial part of UBS AG's liquidity and funding requirements are met using short-term unsecured funding sources, including retail and wholesale deposits and the regular issuance of money market securities. A change in the availability of short-term funding could occur quickly.

Moreover, more stringent capital and liquidity and funding requirements will likely lead to increased competition for both secured funding and deposits as a stable source of funding, and to higher funding costs. The addition of loss-absorbing debt as a component of capital requirements, the regulatory requirements to maintain minimum TLAC at UBS AG's holding company and at subsidiaries, as well as the power of resolution authorities to bail in TLAC and other debt obligations, and uncertainty as to how such powers will be exercised, will increase UBS AG's cost of funding and could potentially increase the total amount of funding required, in the absence of other changes in its business.

Reductions in UBS AG's credit ratings may adversely affect the market value of the securities and other obligations and increase its funding costs, in particular with regard to funding from wholesale unsecured sources, and could affect the availability of certain kinds of funding. In addition, as experienced in connection with Moody's downgrade of UBS AG's long-term debt rating in June 2012, rating downgrades can require UBS AG to post additional collateral or make additional cash payments under trading agreements. UBS AG's credit ratings, together with its capital strength and reputation, also contribute to maintaining client and counterparty confidence, and it is possible that rating changes could influence the performance of some of its businesses.

The requirement to maintain a liquidity coverage ratio of high-quality liquid assets to estimated stressed short-term net cash outflows, and other similar liquidity and funding requirements, oblige UBS AG to maintain high levels of overall liquidity, limit its ability to optimise interest income and expense, make certain lines of business less attractive and reduce its overall ability to generate profits. The liquidity coverage ratio and net stable funding ratio requirements are intended to ensure that UBS AG is not overly reliant on short-term funding and that it has sufficient long-term funding for illiquid assets. The relevant calculations make assumptions about the relative likelihood and amount of outflows of funding and available sources of additional funding in market-wide and firm-specific stress situations. There can be no assurance that in an actual stress situation UBS AG's funding outflows would not exceed the assumed amounts.

#### 3.2 Market and macroeconomic risks

### Performance in the financial services industry is affected by market conditions and the macroeconomic climate

UBS AG's businesses are materially affected by market and macroeconomic conditions. Adverse changes in interest rates, credit spreads, securities prices, market volatility and liquidity, foreign exchange rates, commodity prices, and other market fluctuations, as well as changes in investor sentiment, can affect UBS AG's earnings and ultimately its financial and capital positions.

A market downturn and weak macroeconomic conditions can be precipitated by a number of factors, including geopolitical events, global trade disruption, changes in monetary or fiscal policy, changes in trade policies, natural disasters, pandemics, civil unrest, acts of violence, war or terrorism. Such developments can have unpredictable and destabilising effects and, because financial markets are global and highly interconnected, even local and regional events can have widespread effects well beyond the countries in which they occur. For example, the outbreak of the Covid-19 virus in China, its spread to other nations as well as quarantine and other efforts to contain the outbreak appear to have had an adverse economic effect on economic activity in China as well as on industries such as travel and tourism. The future effects of the outbreak of Covid-19 are unclear at this time. A significant rise in the number of Covid-19 infections, infections in a wide range of countries and regions, or a prolongation of the outbreak could significantly adversely affect economic growth, affect specific industries or countries or affect UBS AG's employees and business operations in affected countries. Any of these developments may adversely affect UBS AG's business or financial results.

If individual countries impose restrictions on cross-border payments, trade, or other exchange or capital controls, or change their currency (for example, if one or more countries should leave the eurozone), UBS AG could suffer losses from enforced default by counterparties, be unable to access its own assets, or be unable to effectively manage its risks.

Should the market experience significant volatility, a decrease in business and client activity and market volumes could result, which would adversely affect UBS AG's ability to generate transaction fees, commissions and margins, particularly in Global Wealth Management and the Investment Bank, as UBS AG experienced in the fourth quarter of 2018. A market downturn would likely reduce the volume and valuation of assets that UBS AG manages on behalf of clients, which would reduce recurring fee income that is charged based on invested assets in Global Wealth Management and Asset Management and performance-based fees in Asset Management. Such a downturn could also cause a decline in the value of assets that UBS AG owns and account for as investments or trading positions. In addition, reduced market liquidity or volatility may limit trading opportunities and may therefore reduce transaction-based income and may also impede UBS AG's ability to manage risks.

UBS AG could be materially affected if a crisis develops, regionally or globally, as a result of disruptions in markets due to macroeconomic or political developments, or as a result of the failure of a major market participant. Over time, UBS AG's strategic plans have become more heavily dependent on its ability to generate growth and revenue in emerging markets, including China, causing it to be more exposed to the risks associated with such markets.

Global Wealth Management derives revenues from all the principal regions, but has a greater concentration in Asia than many peers and a substantial presence in the US, unlike many European peers. The Investment Bank's business is more heavily weighted to Europe and Asia than its peers, while its derivatives business is more heavily weighted to structured products for wealth management clients, in particular with European and Asian underlyings. UBS AG's performance may therefore be more affected by political, economic and market developments in these regions and businesses, including the effects of the Covid-19 outbreak, than some other financial service providers.

### Low and negative interest rates in Switzerland and the eurozone could continue to negatively affect UBS AG's net interest income

The continuing low or negative interest rate environment may further erode interest margins and adversely affect the net interest income generated by the Personal & Corporate Banking and Global Wealth Management businesses. The Swiss National Bank permits Swiss banks to make deposits up to a threshold at zero interest and has recently increased this threshold. Any reduction in or limitation on the use of this exemption from the otherwise applicable negative interest rates could exacerbate the effect of negative interest rates in Switzerland on UBS AG's business.

Low and negative interest rates may also affect customer behavior and hence UBS AG's overall balance sheet structure. Mitigating actions that UBS AG has taken, or may take in the future, such as the introduction of selective deposit fees or minimum lending rates, have resulted and may further result in the loss of customer deposits (a key source of funding for UBS AG), net new money outflows and a declining market share in UBS AG's Swiss lending business.

UBS's shareholders' equity and capital are also affected by changes in interest rates. In particular, the calculation of UBS's Swiss pension plan's net defined benefit assets and liabilities is sensitive to the applied discount rate and to fluctuations in the value of pension plan assets. Any further reduction in interest rates may lower the discount rates and result in pension plan deficits as a result of the long duration of corresponding liabilities. This could lead to a corresponding reduction in UBS AG's equity and common equity tier 1 ("CET1") capital.

### UBS AG's credit risk exposure to clients, trading counterparties and other financial institutions would increase under adverse economic conditions

Credit risk is an integral part of many of UBS AG's activities, including lending, underwriting and derivatives activities. Adverse economic or market conditions may lead to impairments and defaults on these credit exposures. Losses may be exacerbated by declines in the value of collateral securing loans and other exposures. In UBS AG's prime brokerage, securities finance and Lombard lending businesses, UBS AG extends substantial amounts of credit against securities collateral, the value or liquidity of which may decline rapidly. UBS AG's Swiss mortgage and corporate lending portfolios are a large part of its overall lending. UBS AG is therefore exposed to the risk of adverse economic developments in Switzerland, including the strength of the Swiss franc and its effect on Swiss exports, prevailing negative interest rates by the Swiss National Bank, economic conditions within the eurozone or the EU, and the evolution of agreements between Switzerland and the EU or European Economic Area, which represent Switzerland's largest export market. In addition, under the IFRS 9 expected credit loss ("ECL") regime, credit loss expenses may increase rapidly at the onset of an economic downturn as a result of higher levels of credit impairments (stage 3), as well as higher ECL from stages 1 and 2, only gradually diminishing once the economic outlook improves. Substantial increases in ECL could exceed expected loss for regulatory capital purposes and adversely affect UBS AG's CET1 capital and regulatory capital ratios.

### UBS AG's plans to ensure uninterrupted business dealings as the UK withdraws from the EU may not be effective

Plans that UBS has taken to ensure uninterrupted business dealings as the UK withdraws from the EU may not be effective if the UK and the EU do not reach a deal by the end of the transition period, scheduled to end on 31 December, 2020, resulting in disruptions across the financial sector.

To prepare UBS AG's business for the UK withdrawal from the EU, UBS completed a merger of UBS Limited, its UK-based subsidiary, into UBS Europe SE, its Germany-headquartered European subsidiary, which is under the direct supervision of the European Central Bank. All clients and counterparties of UBS Limited who would not be able to be serviced by UBS AG, London Branch following the exit of the UK from the EU have been transferred to UBS Europe SE.

Regulators in both the UK and Europe have taken measures to minimize business disruption in the financial sector in the event of a no-deal scenario, including the UK implementation of a temporary permissions regime so that firms currently using an EU passport for business into the UK can continue operating within the scope of their existing permissions, as well as the recognition by EU authorities of three UK-authorised central counterparties. Nevertheless, significant risk of a disorderly exit of the UK from the EU remains and, should this risk materialize, it could cause significant disruption across the financial industry and, under extreme conditions, contribute to a weakening of the global economy.

### **Currency fluctuation**

UBS AG is subject to currency fluctuation risks. Although UBS AG's change from the Swiss franc to the US dollar as its functional and presentation currency in 2018 reduces its exposure to currency fluctuation risks with respect to the Swiss franc, a substantial portion of its assets and liabilities are denominated in currencies other than the US dollar. Additionally, in order to hedge UBS AG's CET1 capital ratio, its CET1 capital must have foreign currency exposure, which leads to currency sensitivity. As a consequence, it is not possible to simultaneously fully hedge both the amount of capital and the capital ratio. Accordingly, changes in foreign exchange rates may continue to adversely affect UBS AG's profits, balance sheet and capital leverage and liquidity coverage ratios.

### 3.3 Regulatory and legal risks

### Material legal and regulatory risks arise in the conduct of UBS AG's business

As a global financial services firm operating in more than 50 countries, UBS AG is subject to many different legal, tax and regulatory regimes, including extensive regulatory oversight, and are exposed to significant liability risk. UBS AG is subject to a large number of claims, disputes, legal proceedings and government investigations, and UBS AG expects that its ongoing business activities will continue to give rise to such matters in the future. The extent of UBS AG's financial exposure to these and other matters is material and could substantially exceed the level of provisions that UBS AG has established. UBS AG is not able to predict the financial and non-financial consequences these matters may have when resolved.

UBS AG may be subject to adverse preliminary determinations or court decisions that may negatively affect public perception and its reputation, result in prudential actions from regulators, and cause it to record additional provisions for the matter even when it believes it has substantial defenses and expect to ultimately achieve a more favorable outcome. This risk is illustrated by the award of aggregate penalties and damages of EUR 4.5 billion by the court of first instance in France, which UBS AG and UBS (France) S.A. have appealed and will be retried in the Court of Appeal in June 2020.

Resolution of regulatory proceedings may require UBS AG to obtain waivers of regulatory disqualifications to maintain certain operations; may entitle regulatory authorities to limit, suspend or terminate licenses and regulatory authorisations; and may permit financial market utilities to limit, suspend or terminate UBS AG's participation in them. Failure to obtain such waivers, or any limitation, suspension or termination of licenses, authorisations or participations, could have material adverse consequences for us.

UBS AG's settlements with governmental authorities in connection with foreign exchange, London Interbank Offered Rates ("LIBOR") and other benchmark interest rates starkly illustrate the significantly increased level of financial and reputational risk now associated with regulatory matters in major jurisdictions. In connection with investigations related to LIBOR and other benchmark rates and to foreign exchange and precious metals, very large fines and disgorgement amounts were assessed against UBS AG, and it was required to enter guilty pleas despite its full cooperation with the authorities in the investigations, and despite its receipt of conditional leniency or conditional immunity from anti-trust authorities in a number of jurisdictions, including the US and Switzerland.

Ever since UBS AG's material losses arising from the 2007–2009 financial crisis, it has been subject to a very high level of regulatory scrutiny and to certain regulatory measures that constrain its strategic flexibility. While UBS AG believes it has remediated the deficiencies that led to those losses, as well as to the unauthorised trading incident announced in September 2011, the effects on its reputation, as well as on relationships with regulatory authorities of the LIBOR-related settlements of 2012 and settlements with some regulators of matters related to its foreign exchange and precious metals business, as well as the extensive efforts required to implement new regulatory expectations, have resulted in continued scrutiny.

UBS AG is in active dialog with regulators concerning the actions it is taking to improve its operational risk management, risk control, anti-money laundering, data management and other frameworks, and otherwise seek to meet supervisory expectations, but there can be no assurance that its efforts will have the desired effects. As a result of this history, UBS AG's level of risk with respect to regulatory enforcement may be greater than that of some of its peers.

### Substantial changes in regulation may adversely affect UBS AG's businesses and its ability to execute its strategic plans

UBS AG is subject to significant new regulatory requirements, including recovery and resolution planning, changes in capital and prudential standards, as well as new and revised market standards and fiduciary duties. Notwithstanding attempts by regulators to align their efforts, the measures adopted or proposed for banking regulation differ significantly across the major jurisdictions, making it increasingly difficult to manage a global institution. In addition, Swiss regulatory changes with regard to such matters as capital and liquidity have often proceeded more quickly than those in other major jurisdictions, and Switzerland's requirements for major international banks are among the strictest of the major financial centers. This could put Swiss banks, such as UBS AG, at a disadvantage when competing with peer financial institutions subject to more lenient regulation or with unregulated non-bank competitors.

UBS AG's implementation of additional regulatory requirements and changes in supervisory standards, as well as its compliance with existing laws and regulations, continue to receive heightened scrutiny from supervisors. If UBS AG does not meet supervisory expectations in relation to these or other matters, or if additional supervisory or regulatory issues arise, it would likely be subject to further regulatory scrutiny as well as measures that might further constrain its strategic flexibility.

Resolvability and resolution and recovery planning: UBS AG has moved significant operations into subsidiaries to improve resolvability and meet other regulatory requirements, and this has resulted in substantial implementation costs, increased its capital and funding costs and reduced operational flexibility. For example, UBS AG has transferred all of its US subsidiaries under a US intermediate holding company to meet US regulatory requirements, and have transferred substantially all the operations of Personal & Corporate Banking and Global Wealth Management booked in Switzerland to UBS Switzerland AG to improve resolvability.

These changes, particularly the transfer of operations to subsidiaries, require significant time and resources to implement, and create operational, capital, liquidity, funding and tax inefficiencies. In addition, they may increase UBS AG's aggregate credit exposure to counterparties as they transact with multiple entities within the Group. Furthermore, UBS AG's operations in subsidiaries are subject to local capital, liquidity, stable funding, capital planning and stress testing requirements. These requirements have resulted in increased capital and liquidity requirements in affected subsidiaries, which limit UBS AG's operational flexibility and negatively affect its ability to benefit from synergies between business units and to distribute earnings to the Group.

Under the Swiss too-big-to-fail ("TBTF") framework, UBS is required to put in place viable emergency plans to preserve the operation of systemically important functions in the event of a failure. Moreover, under this framework and similar regulations in the US, the UK, the EU and other jurisdictions in which UBS operates, it is required to prepare credible recovery and resolution plans detailing the measures that would be taken to recover in a significant adverse event or in the event of winding down the Group or the operations in a host country through resolution or insolvency proceedings. If a recovery or resolution plan that UBS produces is determined by the relevant authority to be inadequate or not credible, relevant regulation may permit the authority to place limitations on the scope or size of its business in that jurisdiction, or oblige it to hold higher amounts of capital or liquidity or to change its legal structure or business in order to remove the relevant impediments to resolution. In February 2020, FINMA published its assessment of the recovery and resolution plans and emergency plans for Swiss SRBs. FINMA confirmed that UBS's Swiss emergency plan is effective, subject to a further reduction of its joint and several liabilities. In addition, FINMA confirmed that UBS has completed important measures and made considerable progress with respect to its global resolvability.

Capital and prudential standards: As an internationally active Swiss systemically relevant bank (an "SRB"), UBS AG is subject to capital and total loss-absorbing capacity ("TLAC") requirements that are among the most stringent in the world. Moreover, many of UBS AG's subsidiaries must comply with minimum capital, liquidity and similar requirements and, as a result, UBS AG has contributed a significant portion of its capital and provides substantial liquidity to these subsidiaries. These funds are available to meet funding and collateral needs in the relevant entities, but are generally not readily available for use by the Group as a whole.

UBS AG expects its risk-weighted assets ("RWA") to further increase as the effective date for capital standards promulgated by the Basel Committee on Banking Supervision (the "BCBS") draws nearer, although the effective date of the proposals is likely to be later than 2022 contemplated by the BCBS standard. In addition, the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System adopted two proposals last year regarding certain capital and liquidity requirements and enhanced prudential standards applicable to foreign banking organisations ("FBOs") with significant US operations. Under the proposal, it is expected that UBS Americas Holding LLC would continue to be subject to annual assessments of its capital plan through the Comprehensive Capital Analysis and Review ("CCAR") process, a supplementary leverage ratio, newly applicable liquidity coverage ratio requirements and new net stable funding ratio requirements.

These additional increases in capital and liquidity standards could significantly curtail UBS AG's ability to pursue strategic opportunities and to distribute risk.

Market regulation and fiduciary standards: UBS AG's wealth and asset management businesses operate in an environment of increasing regulatory scrutiny and changing standards with respect to fiduciary and other standards of care and the focus on mitigating or eliminating conflicts of interest between a manager or advisor and the client, which require effective implementation across the global systems and processes of investment managers and other industry participants. For example, the SEC has adopted a new Regulation Best Interest that is intended to enhance and clarify the duties of brokers and investment advisers to retail customers. Regulation Best Interest will apply to a large portion of Global Wealth Management's business in the US, and UBS AG will likely be required to materially change business processes, policies and the terms on which it interacts with these clients in order to comply with these rules.

Previously, UBS AG has incurred substantial costs in implementing a compliance and monitoring framework in connection with the Volcker Rule under the Dodd–Frank Act and has modified its business activities both inside and outside the US to conform to the Volcker Rule's activity limitations. In 2019, US regulators have adopted amendments (the "2019 Final Rule") to their regulations implementing the Volcker Rule prohibitions on proprietary trading and limitations on covered fund activities. The amendments were effective as of 1 January 2020 and compliance is mandatory from 1 January 2021. UBS AG may incur additional costs in the short term to implement the changes to the operation of its Volcker compliance program, required by the 2019 Final Rule. However, these changes may reduce the long-term burden on UBS AG's operations. UBS AG may also become subject to other similar regulations substantively limiting the types of activities in which it may engage or the way it conducts its operations.

Some of the regulations applicable to UBS AG as a registered swap dealer with the Commodity Futures Trading Commission ("CFTC") in the US, and certain regulations that will be applicable when UBS AG registers as a security-based swap dealer with the US Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC"), apply to UBS AG globally, including those relating to swap data reporting, record-keeping, compliance and supervision. As a result, in some cases, US rules duplicate or may conflict with legal requirements applicable to UBS AG elsewhere, including in Switzerland, and may place it at a competitive disadvantage to firms that are not required to register in the US with the SEC or CFTC.

In many instances, UBS AG provides services on a cross-border basis, and it is therefore sensitive to barriers restricting market access for third-country firms. In particular, efforts in the EU to harmonise the regime for third-country firms to access the European market may have the effect of creating new barriers that adversely affect its ability to conduct business in these jurisdictions from Switzerland. In addition, a number of jurisdictions are increasingly regulating cross-border activities based on determinations of equivalence of home country regulation, substituted compliance or similar principles of comity. A negative determination with respect to Swiss equivalence could limit UBS AG's access to the market in those jurisdictions and may negatively influence its ability to act as a global firm. For example, the EU declined to extend the equivalence determination for Swiss exchanges, which lapsed as of 30 June 2019. Reciprocally, the regulations that Switzerland adopted to prohibit trading of shares issued by Swiss incorporated companies on EU venues came into effect on 1 July 2019.

UBS AG experienced cross-border outflows over a number of years as a result of heightened focus by fiscal authorities on cross-border investment and fiscal amnesty programs, in anticipation of the implementation in Switzerland of the global automatic exchange of tax information, and as a result of the measures UBS AG has implemented in response to these changes. Further changes in local tax laws or regulations and their enforcement, the implementation of cross-border tax information exchange regimes, national tax amnesty or enforcement programs or similar actions may affect UBS AG's clients' ability or willingness to do business with it and could result in additional cross-border outflows.

### UBS AG's stated capital returns objective is based, in part, on capital ratios that are subject to regulatory change and may fluctuate significantly

UBS AG plans to operate with a CET1 capital ratio of around 13% and a CET1 leverage ratio of around 3.7%. UBS AG's ability to maintain these ratios is subject to numerous risks, including the financial results of its businesses, the effect of changes to capital standards, methodologies and interpretations that may adversely affect the calculation of its CET1 ratios, the imposition of risk add-ons or capital buffers, and the application of additional capital, liquidity and similar requirements to subsidiaries. The results of UBS AG's businesses may be adversely affected by events arising from other factors described herein. In some cases, such as litigation and regulatory risk and operational risk events, losses may be sudden and large. These risks could reduce the amount of capital available for return to shareholders and hinder UBS AG's ability to achieve its capital returns target of a progressive cash dividend coupled with a share repurchase program.

Capital strength is a key component of UBS AG's business model. Capital strength enables UBS AG to grow its businesses, and absorb increases in regulatory and capital requirements. It reassures UBS AG's clients and stakeholders, forms the basis for its capital return policy and contributes to its credit ratings. UBS AG's capital ratios are driven primarily by RWA, the leverage ratio denominator and eligible capital, all of which may fluctuate based on a number of factors, some of which are outside its control.

UBS AG's eligible capital may be reduced by losses recognised within net profit or other comprehensive income. Eligible capital may also be reduced for other reasons, including acquisitions which change the level of goodwill, changes in temporary differences related to deferred tax assets included in capital, adverse currency movements affecting the value of equity, prudential adjustments that may be required due to the valuation uncertainty associated with certain types of positions, and changes in the value of certain pension fund assets and liabilities or in the interest rate and other assumptions used to calculate the changes in UBS AG's net defined benefit obligation recognised in other comprehensive income.

RWA are driven by UBS AG's business activities, by changes in the risk profile of its exposures, by changes in its foreign currency exposures and foreign exchange rates, and by regulation. For instance, substantial market volatility, a widening of credit spreads, adverse currency movements, increased counterparty risk, deterioration in the economic environment or increased operational risk could result in an increase in RWA. UBS AG has significantly reduced its market risk and credit risk RWA in recent years. However, increases in operational risk RWA, particularly those arising from litigation, regulatory and similar matters, and regulatory changes in the calculation of RWA, and regulatory add-ons to RWA, have offset a substantial portion of this reduction. Changes in the calculation of RWA, the imposition of additional supplemental RWA charges or multipliers applied to certain exposures and other methodology changes, as well as the implementation of the capital standards promulgated by the Basel Committee on Banking Supervision, which will take effect in 2022, could substantially increase UBS AG's RWA.

The leverage ratio is a balance sheet-driven measure and therefore limits balance sheet-intensive activities, such as lending, more than activities that are less balance sheet intensive, and it may constrain UBS AG's business even if it satisfies other risk-based capital requirements. UBS AG's leverage ratio denominator is driven by, among other things, the level of client activity, including deposits and loans, foreign exchange rates, interest rates and other market factors. Many of these factors are wholly or partly outside of UBS AG's control.

### The effect of taxes on UBS AG's financial results is significantly influenced by tax law changes and reassessments of its deferred tax assets

UBS AG's effective tax rate is highly sensitive to its performance, its expectation of future profitability and statutory tax rates. Based on prior years' tax losses, UBS AG has recognised deferred tax assets ("DTAs") reflecting the probable recoverable level based on future taxable profit as informed by its business plans. If UBS AG's performance is expected to produce diminished taxable profit in future years, particularly in the US, it may be required to write down all or a portion of the currently recognised DTAs through the income statement in excess of anticipated amortisation. This would have the effect of increasing UBS AG's effective tax rate in the year in which any write-downs are taken. Conversely, if UBS AG expects the performance of entities in which it has unrecognised tax losses to improve, particularly in the US or the UK, it could potentially recognise additional DTAs. The effect of doing so would be to reduce UBS AG's effective tax rate in years in which additional DTAs are recognised and to increase its effective tax rate in future years. UBS AG's effective tax rate is also sensitive to any future reductions in statutory tax rates, particularly in the US, which would cause the expected future tax benefit from items such as tax loss carry-forwards in the affected locations to diminish in value. This, in turn, would cause a write-down of the associated DTAs. For example, the reduction in the US federal corporate tax rate to 21% from 35% introduced by the US Tax Cuts and Jobs Act ("TCJA") resulted in a USD 2.9 billion net write-down in the Group's DTAs in the fourth quarter of 2017.

UBS AG generally revalues its DTAs in the fourth quarter of the financial year based on a reassessment of future profitability taking into account its updated business plans. UBS AG considers the performance of its businesses and the accuracy of historical forecasts, tax rates and other factors in evaluating the recoverability of its DTAs, including the remaining tax loss carry-forward period and its assessment of expected future taxable profits over the life of DTAs. Estimating future profitability is inherently subjective and is particularly sensitive to future economic, market and other conditions, which are difficult to predict.

UBS AG's results in past years have demonstrated that changes in the recognition of DTAs can have a very significant effect on its reported results. Any future change in the manner in which UBS AG remeasures DTAs could affect UBS AG's effective tax rate, particularly in the year in which the change is made.

UBS AG's full-year effective tax rate could change if aggregate tax expenses in respect of profits from branches and subsidiaries without loss coverage differ from what is expected, or if branches and subsidiaries generate tax losses that UBS AG cannot benefit from through the income statement. In particular, losses at entities or branches that cannot offset for tax purposes taxable profits in other group entities, and which do not result in additional DTA recognition, may increase UBS AG's effective tax rate. In addition, tax laws or the tax authorities in countries where UBS AG has

undertaken legal structure changes may prevent the transfer of tax losses incurred in one legal entity to newly organised or reorganised subsidiaries or affiliates or may impose limitations on the utilisation of tax losses that relate to businesses formerly conducted by the transferor. Were this to occur in situations where there were also limited planning opportunities to utilise the tax losses in the originating entity, the DTAs associated with such tax losses may be required to be written down through the income statement.

Changes in tax law may materially affect UBS AG's effective tax rate, and, in some cases, may substantially affect the profitability of certain activities. In addition, statutory and regulatory changes, as well as changes to the way in which courts and tax authorities interpret tax laws, including assertions that UBS AG is required to pay taxes in a jurisdiction as a result of activities connected to that jurisdiction constituting a permanent establishment or similar theory, and changes in its assessment of uncertain tax positions, could cause the amount of taxes it ultimately pays to materially differ from the amount accrued.

## Discontinuance of, or changes to, benchmark rates may require adjustments to UBS AG's agreements with clients and other market participants, as well as to UBS AG's systems and processes

Since April 2013, the UK Financial Conduct Authority (the "FCA") has regulated LIBOR, and regulators in other jurisdictions have increased oversight of other interbank offered rates ("IBORs") and similar benchmark rates. Efforts to transition from IBORs to alternative benchmark rates are underway in several jurisdictions. The FCA announced in July 2017 that it will not continue beyond 2021 to regulate LIBOR or take other actions to sustain LIBOR, and urged users to plan the transition to alternative reference rates ("ARRs"). As a result, there can be no guarantee that LIBOR will be determined after 2021 on the same basis as at present, if at all.

Liquidity and activity in ARRs continue to develop in markets globally, with work progressing to resolve certain issues associated with transitioning away from IBORs. Regulatory authorities continue to focus on transitioning to ARRs by the end of 2021. The Alternative Reference Rates Committee is considering potential legislative solutions that would mitigate legal risks related to legacy contracts in the event of IBOR discontinuation. In addition, in October 2019, the US Treasury Department and Internal Revenue Service published proposed regulations providing tax relief related to issues that may arise as a result of the modification of debt, derivative, and other financial contracts from LIBOR-based language to ARRs. The European Central Bank published the euro short-term rate, the risk-free rate for euro markets, for the first time on 2 October 2019, reflecting trading activity on 1 October 2019. The Bank of England Working Group on Sterling Risk-Free Reference Rates continues to be supportive of the development of a term (Sterling Overnight Index Average) reference rate.

UBS AG has a substantial number of contracts linked to IBORs. ARRs do not currently provide a term structure, which will require a change in the contractual terms of products currently indexed on terms other than overnight. In some cases, contracts may contain provisions intended to provide a fallback interest rate in the event of a brief unavailability of the relevant IBOR. These provisions may not be effective or may produce arbitrary results in the event of a permanent cessation of the relevant IBOR. In addition, numerous of UBS AG's internal systems, limits and processes make use of IBORs as reference rates. Transition to replacement reference rates will require significant investment and effort.

# If UBS experiences financial difficulties, FINMA has the power to open restructuring or liquidation proceedings or impose protective measures in relation to UBS Group AG, UBS AG or UBS Switzerland AG, and such proceedings or measures may have a material adverse effect on UBS's shareholders and creditors

Under the Swiss Banking Act, FINMA is able to exercise broad statutory powers with respect to Swiss banks and Swiss parent companies of financial groups, such as UBS Group AG, UBS AG and UBS Switzerland AG, if there is justified concern that the entity is over-indebted, has serious liquidity problems or, after the expiration of any relevant deadline, no longer fulfills capital adequacy requirements. Such powers include ordering protective measures, instituting restructuring proceedings (and exercising any Swiss resolution powers in connection therewith), and instituting liquidation proceedings, all of which may have a material adverse effect on shareholders and creditors or may prevent UBS Group AG, UBS AG or UBS Switzerland AG from paying dividends or making payments on debt obligations.

UBS would have limited ability to challenge any such protective measures, and creditors and shareholders would have no right under Swiss law or in Swiss courts to reject them, seek their suspension, or challenge their imposition, including measures that require or result in the deferment of payments.

If restructuring proceedings are opened with respect to UBS Group AG, UBS AG or UBS Switzerland AG, the resolution powers that FINMA may exercise include the power to: (i) transfer all or some of the assets, debt and other liabilities, and contracts of the entity subject to proceedings to another entity; (ii) stay for a maximum of two business days (a) the termination of, or the exercise of rights to terminate, netting rights, (b) rights to enforce or dispose of certain types of collateral or (c) rights to transfer claims, liabilities or certain collateral, under contracts to which the entity subject to proceedings is a party; and/or (iii) partially or fully write down the equity capital and, if such equity capital is fully written down, convert into equity or write down the capital and other debt instruments of the entity subject to proceedings. Shareholders and creditors would have no right to reject, or to seek the suspension of, any restructuring plan pursuant to which such resolution powers are exercised. They would have only limited rights to challenge any decision to exercise resolution powers or to have that decision reviewed by a judicial or administrative process or otherwise.

Upon full or partial write-down of the equity and debt of the entity subject to restructuring proceedings, the relevant shareholders and creditors would receive no payment in respect of the equity and debt that is written down, the write-down would be permanent, and the investors would not, at such time or at any time thereafter, receive any shares or other participation rights, or be entitled to any write-up or any other compensation in the event of a potential recovery of the debtor. If FINMA orders the conversion of debt of the entity subject to restructuring proceedings into equity, the securities received by the investors may be worth significantly less than the original debt and may have a significantly different risk profile, and such conversion would also dilute the ownership of existing shareholders. In addition, creditors receiving equity would be effectively subordinated to all creditors of the restructured entity in the event of a subsequent winding up, liquidation or dissolution of the restructured entity, which would increase the risk that investors would lose all or some of their investment.

FINMA has significant discretion in the exercise of its powers in connection with restructuring proceedings. Furthermore, certain categories of debt obligations, such as certain types of deposits, are subject to preferential treatment. As a result, holders of obligations of an entity subject to a Swiss restructuring proceeding may have their obligations written down or converted into equity even though obligations ranking on par with or junior to such obligations are not written down or converted.

### UBS AG's financial results may be negatively affected by changes to assumptions and valuations, as well as changes to accounting standards

UBS AG prepares its consolidated financial statements in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards ("IFRS"). The application of these accounting standards requires the use of judgment based on estimates and assumptions that may involve significant uncertainty at the time they are made. This is the case, for example, with respect to the measurement of fair value of financial instruments, the recognition of deferred tax assets, the assessment of the impairment of goodwill, expected credit losses and estimation of provisions for contingencies, including litigation, regulatory and similar matters. Such judgments, including the underlying estimates and assumptions, which encompass historical experience, expectations of the future and other factors, are regularly evaluated to determine their continuing relevance based on current conditions. Using different assumptions could cause the reported results to differ. Changes in assumptions, or failure to make the changes necessary to reflect evolving market conditions, may have a significant effect on the financial statements in the periods when changes occur. Estimates of provisions for contingencies may be subject to a wide range of potential outcomes and significant uncertainty. For example, the broad range of potential outcomes in UBS AG's proceeding in France increases the uncertainty

associated with assessing the appropriate provision. If the estimates and assumptions in future periods deviate from the current outlook, UBS AG's financial results may also be negatively affected.

Changes to IFRS or interpretations thereof may cause future reported results and financial position to differ from current expectations, or historical results to differ from those previously reported due to the adoption of accounting standards on a retrospective basis. Such changes may also affect UBS AG's regulatory capital and ratios. For example, UBS AG adopted IFRS 9 effective 1 January 2018, which required it to change the accounting treatment of financial instruments measured at amortised cost and certain other positions, to record loans from inception net of expected credit loss ("ECL") allowances and provisions instead of recording credit losses on an incurred loss basis. This may result in a significant increase in recognised credit loss allowances in the future and greater volatility in the income statement as ECL changes in response to developments in the credit cycle and composition of UBS AG's loan portfolio. The effect may be more pronounced in a deteriorating economic environment.

#### 3.4 Strategy, management and operations risks

#### UBS AG may not be successful in the ongoing execution of its strategic plans

UBS AG has transformed its business to focus on its Global Wealth Management business and its universal bank in Switzerland, complemented by Asset Management and a significantly smaller and more capital-efficient Investment Bank; it has substantially reduced the risk-weighted assets and leverage ratio denominator usage in Corporate Center; and made significant cost reductions. Risk remains that going forward UBS AG may not succeed in executing its strategy or achieving its performance targets, or may be delayed in doing so. Macroeconomic conditions, geopolitical uncertainty, changes to regulatory requirements and the continuing costs of meeting these requirements have prompted UBS AG to adapt its targets and ambitions in the past and it may need to do so again in the future.

To achieve its strategic plans, UBS AG expects to continue to make significant expenditures on technology and infrastructure to improve client experience, improve and further enable digital offerings and increase efficiency. UBS AG's investments in new technology may not fully achieve its objectives or improve its ability to attract and retain customers. In addition, UBS AG will likely face competition in providing digitally enabled offerings from both existing competitors and new financial service providers in various portions of the value chain. For example, technological advances and the growth of e-commerce have made it possible for e-commerce firms and other companies to offer products and services that were traditionally offered only by banks. These advances have also allowed financial institutions and other companies to provide digitally based financial solutions, including electronic securities trading, payments processing and online automated algorithmic-based investment advice at a low cost to their customers. UBS AG may have to lower its prices, or risk losing customers as a result. UBS AG's ability to develop and implement competitive digitally enabled offerings and processes will be an important factor in its ability to compete.

As part of its strategy, UBS AG seeks to improve its operating efficiency, in part by controlling its costs. UBS AG may not be able to identify feasible cost reduction opportunities that are consistent with its business goals and cost reductions may be realised later or may be smaller than it anticipates. Higher temporary and permanent regulatory costs and higher business demand than anticipated have partly offset cost reductions and delayed the achievement of UBS AG's past cost reduction targets, and it could continue to be challenged in the execution of its ongoing efforts to improve operating efficiency.

Changes in UBS AG's workforce as a result of outsourcing, nearshoring, offshoring, insourcing or staff reductions may introduce new operational risks that, if not effectively addressed, could affect its ability to achieve cost and other benefits from such changes, or could result in operational losses.

As UBS AG implements effectiveness and efficiency programs, it may also experience unintended consequences, such as the unintended loss or degradation of capabilities that it needs in order to maintain its competitive position, achieve its targeted returns or meet existing or new regulatory requirements and expectations.

#### **Operational risks affect UBS AG's business**

UBS AG's businesses depend on its ability to process a large number of transactions, many of which are complex, across multiple and diverse markets in different currencies, to comply with requirements of many different legal and regulatory regimes to which it is subject and to prevent, or promptly detect and stop, unauthorised, fictitious or fraudulent transactions. UBS AG also relies on access to, and on the functioning of, systems maintained by third parties, including clearing systems, exchanges, information processors and central counterparties. Any failure of UBS AG's or third-party systems could have an adverse effect on UBS AG. UBS AG's operational risk management and control systems and processes are designed to help ensure that the risks associated with its activities – including those arising from process error, failed execution, misconduct, unauthorised trading, fraud, system failures, financial crime, cyberattacks, breaches of information security, inadequate or ineffective access controls and failure of security and physical protection – are appropriately controlled. If UBS AG's internal controls fail or prove ineffective in identifying and remedying these risks, it could suffer operational failures that might result in material losses, such as the substantial loss it incurred from the unauthorised trading incident announced in September 2011.

UBS AG uses automation as part of its efforts to improve efficiency, reduce the risk of error and improve its client experience. UBS AG intends to expand the use of robotic processing, machine learning and artificial intelligence to further these goals. Use of these tools presents their own risks, including the need for effective design and testing; the quality of the data used for development and operation of machine learning and artificial intelligence tools may adversely affect their functioning and result in errors and other operational risks.

UBS AG and other financial services firms have been subject to breaches of security and to cyber- and other forms of attack, some of which are sophisticated and targeted attacks intended to gain access to confidential information or systems, disrupt service or destroy data. These attacks may be attempted through the introduction of viruses or malware, phishing and other forms of social engineering, distributed denial of service attacks and other means. These attempts may occur directly, or using equipment or security passwords of UBS AG's employees, third-party service providers or other users. In addition to external attacks, UBS AG has experienced loss of client data from failure by employees and others to follow internal policies and procedures and from misappropriation of its data by employees and others. UBS AG may not be able to anticipate, detect or recognise threats to its systems or data and its preventative measures may not be effective to prevent an attack or a security breach. In the event of a security breach, notwithstanding its preventative measures, UBS AG may not immediately detect a particular breach or attack. Once a particular attack is detected, time may be required to investigate and assess the nature and extent of the attack. A successful breach or circumvention of security of UBS AG's systems or data could have significant negative consequences for it, including disruption of its operations, misappropriation of confidential information concerning it or its customers, damage to its systems, financial losses for it or its customers, violations of data privacy and similar laws, litigation exposure and damage to its reputation.

UBS AG is subject to complex and frequently changing laws and regulations governing the protection of client and personal data, such as the EU General Data Protection Regulation. Ensuring that UBS AG complies with applicable laws and regulations when it collects, uses and transfers personal information requires substantial resources and may affect the ways in which it conducts its business. In the event that UBS AG fails to comply with applicable laws, it may be exposed to regulatory fines and penalties and other sanctions. UBS AG may also incur such penalties if its vendors or other service providers or clients or counterparties fail to comply with these laws or to maintain appropriate controls over protected data. In addition, any loss or exposure of client or other data may adversely damage UBS AG's reputation and adversely affect its business.

A major focus of US and other countries' governmental policies relating to financial institutions in recent years has been on fighting money laundering and terrorist financing. UBS AG is required to maintain effective policies, procedures and controls to detect, prevent and report money laundering and terrorist financing, and to verify the identity of its clients under the laws of many of the countries in which it operates. UBS AG is also subject to laws and regulations related to corrupt and illegal payments to government officials by others, such as the US Foreign Corrupt Practices Act and the UK Bribery Act. UB AGS has implemented policies, procedures and internal controls that are designed to

comply with such laws and regulations. Notwithstanding this, US regulators have found deficiencies in the design and operation of anti-money laundering programs in UBS AG Group's US operations. UBS AG Group has undertaken a significant program to address these regulatory findings with the objective of fully meeting regulatory expectations for its programs. Failure to maintain and implement adequate programs to combat money laundering, terrorist financing or corruption, or any failure of UBS AG Group's programs in these areas, could have serious consequences both from legal enforcement action and from damage to its reputation. Frequent changes in sanctions imposed and increasingly complex sanctions imposed on countries, entities and individuals increase UBS AG Group's cost of monitoring and complying with sanctions requirements and increase the risk that it will not identify in a timely manner previously permissible client activity that is subject to a sanction.

As a result of new and changed regulatory requirements and the changes UBS AG has made in its legal structure, the volume, frequency and complexity of its regulatory and other reporting has significantly increased. Regulators have also significantly increased expectations regarding UBS AG's internal reporting and data aggregation, as well as management reporting. UBS AG has incurred and continues to incur significant costs to implement infrastructure to meet these requirements. Failure to meet external reporting requirements accurately and in a timely manner or failure to meet regulatory expectations of internal reporting, data aggregation and management reporting could result in enforcement action or other adverse consequences for UBS AG.

Certain types of operational control weaknesses and failures could also adversely affect UBS AG's ability to prepare and publish accurate and timely financial reports.

In addition, despite the contingency plans that UBS AG has in place, its ability to conduct business may be adversely affected by a disruption in the infrastructure that supports its businesses and the communities in which it operates. This may include a disruption due to natural disasters, pandemics, civil unrest, war or terrorism and involve electrical, communications, transportation or other services that UBS AG uses or that are used by third parties with whom it conducts business.

### UBS AG may not be successful in implementing changes in its wealth management businesses to meet changing market, regulatory and other conditions

In recent years, inflows from lower-margin segments and markets have been replacing outflows from higher-margin segments and markets, in particular for cross-border clients. This dynamic, combined with changes in client product preferences as a result of which low-margin products account for a larger share of UBS AG's revenues than in the past, has put downward pressure on Global Wealth Management's margins.

As the discussion above indicates, UBS AG is exposed to possible outflows of client assets in its assetgathering businesses and to changes affecting the profitability of Global Wealth Management, in particular. Initiatives that UBS may implement to overcome the effects of changes in the business environment on its profitability, balance sheet and capital positions may not succeed in counteracting those effects and may cause net new money outflows and reductions in client deposits, as happened with its balance sheet and capital optimisation program in 2015. There is no assurance that UBS AG will be successful in its efforts to offset the adverse effect of these or similar trends and developments.

### UBS AG may be unable to identify or capture revenue or competitive opportunities, or retain and attract qualified employees

The financial services industry is characterised by intense competition, continuous innovation, restrictive, detailed, and sometimes fragmented regulation and ongoing consolidation. UBS AG faces competition at the level of local markets and individual business lines, and from global financial institutions that are comparable to it in their size and breadth. Barriers to entry in individual markets and pricing levels are being eroded by new technology. UBS AG expects these trends to continue and competition to increase. UBS AG's competitive strength and market position could be eroded if it is unable to identify market trends and developments, does not respond to such trends and developments by devising and implementing adequate business strategies, does not adequately develop or update its technology including its digital channels and tools, or is unable to attract or retain the qualified people needed.

The amount and structure of UBS AG's employee compensation is affected not only by its business results, but also by competitive factors and regulatory considerations.

In recent years, in response to the demands of various stakeholders, including regulatory authorities and shareholders, and in order to better align the interests of its staff with other stakeholders, UBS AG has increased average deferral periods for stock awards, expanded forfeiture provisions and, to a more limited extent, introduced clawback provisions for certain awards linked to business performance. UBS AG has also introduced individual caps on the proportion of fixed to variable pay for the Group Executive Board ("GEB") members, as well as certain other employees.

Constraints on the amount or structure of employee compensation, higher levels of deferral, performance conditions and other circumstances triggering the forfeiture of unvested awards may adversely affect UBS AG's ability to retain and attract key employees. The loss of key staff and the inability to attract qualified replacements could seriously compromise UBS AG's ability to execute its strategy and to successfully improve its operating and control environment, and could affect its business performance. Swiss law requires that shareholders approve the compensation of the Board of Directors (the "BoD") and the GEB each year. If UBS's shareholders fail to approve the compensation for the GEB or the BoD, this could have an adverse effect on its ability to retain experienced directors and its senior management.

### UBS AG depends on its risk management and control processes to avoid or limit potential losses in its businesses

Controlled risk-taking is a major part of the business of a financial services firm. Some losses from risk-taking activities are inevitable, but to be successful over time, UBS AG must balance the risks it takes against the returns generated. Therefore UBS AG must diligently identify, assess, manage and control its risks, not only in normal market conditions but also as they might develop under more extreme, stressed conditions, when concentrations of exposures can lead to severe losses.

As seen during the financial crisis of 2007–2009, UBS AG has not always been able to prevent serious losses arising from extreme or sudden market events that are not anticipated by its risk measures and systems. UBS AG's risk measures, concentration controls and the dimensions in which it aggregated risk to identify correlated exposures proved inadequate in a historically severe deterioration in financial markets. As a result, UBS AG recorded substantial losses on fixed income trading positions, particularly in 2008 and 2009. UBS AG has substantially revised and strengthened its risk management and control framework and increased the capital that it holds relative to the risks that it takes. Nonetheless, UBS AG could suffer further losses in the future if, for example:

- it does not fully identify the risks in its portfolio, in particular risk concentrations and correlated risks;
- its assessment of the risks identified, or its response to negative trends, proves to be untimely, inadequate, insufficient or incorrect;
- markets move in ways that UBS AG does not expect in terms of their speed, direction, severity or correlation – and its ability to manage risks in the resulting environment is, therefore, affected;
- third parties to whom it has credit exposure or whose securities it holds are severely affected by events and it suffers defaults and impairments beyond the level implied by its risk assessment; or
- collateral or other security provided by its counterparties proves inadequate to cover their obligations at the time of default.

UBS AG has exposures related to real estate in various countries, including a substantial Swiss mortgage portfolio. Although UBS AG believes this portfolio is prudently managed, it could nevertheless be exposed to losses if a substantial deterioration in the Swiss real estate market were to occur. UBS AG also holds legacy risk positions, primarily in Corporate Center, that, in many cases, are illiquid and may again deteriorate in value.

UBS AG also manages risk on behalf of its clients. The performance of assets UBS AG holds for its clients may be adversely affected by the same factors mentioned above. If clients suffer losses or the performance of their assets held with UBS AG is not in line with relevant benchmarks against which clients assess investment performance, UBS AG may suffer reduced fee income and a decline in assets under management, or withdrawal of mandates.

Investment positions, such as equity investments made as part of strategic initiatives and seed investments made at the inception of funds that UBS AG manages, may also be affected by market risk factors. These investments are often not liquid and generally are intended or required to be held beyond a normal trading horizon. Deteriorations in the fair value of these positions would have a negative effect on UBS AG's earnings.

# UBS AG's operating results, financial condition and ability to pay its obligations in the future may be affected by funding, dividends and other distributions received from UBS Switzerland AG, UBS Americas Holding LLC, UBS Europe SE and other subsidiaries, which may be subject to restrictions

UBS AG's ability to pay its obligations in the future may be affected by the level of funding, dividends and other distributions, if any, received from UBS Switzerland AG and other subsidiaries. The ability of such subsidiaries to make loans or distributions, directly or indirectly, to UBS AG may be restricted as a result of several factors, including restrictions in financing agreements and the requirements of applicable law and regulatory, fiscal or other restrictions. In particular, UBS AG's direct and indirect subsidiaries, including UBS Switzerland AG, UBS Americas Holding LLC and UBS Europe SE, are subject to laws and regulations that restrict dividend payments, authorise regulatory bodies to block or reduce the flow of funds from those subsidiaries to UBS AG, or could affect their ability to repay any loans made to, or other investments in, such subsidiary by UBS AG or another member of the Group. For example, the US Comprehensive Capital Analysis and Review process requires that UBS's US intermediate holding company demonstrate that it can continue to meet minimum capital standards over a hypothetical nine-quarter severely adverse economic scenario. If it fails to meet the quantitative capital requirements, or the Federal Reserve Board's qualitative assessment of the capital planning process is adverse, UBS's US intermediate holding company would be prohibited from paying dividends or making distributions. Restrictions and regulatory actions of this kind could impede access to funds that UBS AG may need to meet its obligations. In addition, UBS AG's right to participate in a distribution of assets upon a subsidiary's liquidation or reorganisation is subject to all prior claims of the subsidiary's creditors.

Furthermore, UBS AG may guarantee some of the payment obligations of certain of its subsidiaries from time to time. These guarantees may require UBS AG to provide substantial funds or assets to subsidiaries or their creditors or counterparties at a time when UBS AG is in need of liquidity to fund its own obligations.

#### UBS AG's reputation is critical to its success

UBS AG's reputation is critical to the success of its strategic plans, business and prospects. Reputational damage is difficult to reverse, and improvements tend to be slow and difficult to measure. UBS AG's reputation has been adversely affected by its losses during the financial crisis, investigations into its cross-border private banking services, criminal resolutions of LIBOR-related and foreign exchange matters, as well as other matters. UBS AG believes that reputational damage as a result of these events was an important factor in its loss of clients and client assets across its asset-gathering businesses. New events that cause reputational damage could have a material adverse effect on UBS AG's results of operation and financial condition, as well as its ability to achieve its strategic goals and financial targets."

### In the section headed "4. Information about UBS AG" (page 19 of the Registration Document) the subsection "4.1 Introduction" shall be completely replaced as follows:

"UBS AG Group provides financial advice and solutions to private, institutional and corporate clients worldwide, as well as private clients in Switzerland. The operational structure of the Group is comprised of the Corporate Center and four business divisions: Global Wealth Management, Personal & Corporate Banking, Asset Management and the Investment Bank. UBS concentrates on capital-efficient businesses in its targeted markets, where UBS has a strong competitive position and an attractive long-term growth or profitability outlook. UBS views capital strength as the foundation of its strategy. In delivering all of UBS as one firm to its clients, UBS intends to: strengthen its leading client franchises and grow share; position UBS for growth by expanding its services and capabilities; drive greater efficiencies and scale; and further intensify collaboration for the benefit of its clients.

On 31 December 2019, UBS Group's common equity tier 1 ("CET1") capital ratio was 13.7%, the CET1 leverage ratio was 3.90%, the total loss-absorbing capacity ratio was 34.6%, and the total loss-absorbing capacity leverage ratio was 9.8%. On the same date, invested assets stood at USD 3,607 billion, equity attributable to shareholders was USD 54,533 million and market capitalisation was USD 45,661 million. On the same date, UBS employed 68,601 people.

On 31 December 2019, UBS AG consolidated CET1 capital ratio was 13.7%, the CET1 leverage ratio was 3.87%, the total loss-absorbing capacity ratio was 33.9%, and the total loss-absorbing capacity leverage ratio was 9.6%.1 On the same date, invested assets stood at USD 3,607 billion and equity attributable to UBS AG shareholders was USD 53,754 million. On the same date, UBS AG Group employed 47,005 people."

In the subsection "4.3 Information incorporated by Reference" (page 20 et seq. of the Registration Document) of the section headed "4. Information about UBS AG" the two last bullet points of the list of documents incorporated by reference to this Registration Document shall be completely replaced as follows:

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- (h) the UBS AG third quarter 2019 report published on 25 October 2019 (published on the UBS website, at <a href="https://www.ubs.com/global/en/investor-relations/financial-information/quarterly-reporting/qr-shared/2019/3q19/">https://www.ubs.com/global/en/investor-relations/financial-information/quarterly-reporting/qr-shared/2019/3q19/</a> jcr content/mainpar/toplevelgrid/col1/linklist/link.1787757339.file/bGlua
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  Report");
- the UBS Group AG fourth quarter 2019 report published on 21 January 2020 (published on the UBS website, at <u>https://www.ubs.com/global/en/investor-relations/financialinformation/quarterly-reporting/qr-</u> shared/2019/4q19/ jcr content/mainpar/toplevelgrid 1745307668/col1/teaser/linklist/link.05 34766799.file/bGluay9wYXRoPS9jb250ZW50L2RhbS9hc3NldHMvY2MvaW52ZXN0b3ltcmVs YXRpb25zL3F1YXJ0ZXJsaWVzLzIwMTkvNHExOS9mdWxsLXJlcG9ydC11YnMtZ3JvdXAtYWct Y29uc29saWRhdGVkLTRxMTkucGRm/full-report-ubs-group-ag-consolidated-4q19.pdf, the the "UBS Group Fourth Quarter 2019 Report"), and
- (j) the UBS Group AG Annual Report 2019 report published on 28 February 2020 (published on the UBS website, at <u>https://www.ubs.com/global/de/investor-relations/financialinformation/annual-</u> reporting/ jcr content/mainpar/toplevelgrid 45506695/col1/teaser/linklist/link 258677443.2 018038008.file/bGluay9wYXRoPS9jb250ZW50L2RhbS9hc3NldHMvY2MvaW52ZXN0b3ltcm VsYXRpb25zL2FubnVhbC1yZXBvcnQvMjAxOS9mdWxsLXJlcG9ydC11YnMtZ3JvdXAtYWctY W5kLXVicy1hZy1jb25zb2xpZGF0ZWQtMjAxOS1lbi5wZGY=/full-report-ubs-group-ag-andubs-ag-consolidated-2019-en.pdf the the "UBS Group Annual Report 2019").

In the subsection "4.3 Information incorporated by Reference" (page 20 et seq. of the Registration Document) of the section headed "4. Information about UBS AG" the following information shall be added at the end of the cross-reference table:

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## In the section headed "4. Information about UBS AG" (page 26 of the Registration Document) the first paragraph of the the subsection "4.4 Credit Ratings assigned to UBS AG" shall be completely replaced as follows:

"The rating agencies S&P Global Ratings Europe Limited ("Standard & Poor's"), Moody's Deutschland GmbH ("Moody's"), Fitch Ratings Limited ("Fitch Ratings"), and Scope Ratings GmbH ("Scope Ratings") have published solicited credit ratings reflecting their assessment of the creditworthiness of UBS AG, i.e. its ability to fulfil in a timely manner payment obligations, such as principal or interest payments on long-term loans, also known as debt servicing. The ratings from Fitch Ratings, Standard & Poor's and Scope Ratings may be attributed a plus or minus sign, and those from Moody's a number. These supplementary attributes indicate the relative position within the respective rating class. UBS AG has a long-term counterparty credit rating of A+ (outlook: stable) from Standard & Poor's, long-term senior debt rating of Aa3 (outlook: stable) from Moody's, long-term issuer default rating of AA- (outlook: negative) from Fitch Ratings and issuer rating of AA- (outlook: stable) from Scope Ratings."

# In the section headed "4. Information about UBS AG" (page 28 of the Registration Document) the subsection "4.5 UBS's borrowing and funding structure and financing of UBS's activities" shall be completely replaced as follows:

"For information on UBS's expected financing of its business activities, please refer to "Balance sheet, liquidity and funding management" in the "Treasury management" section of the Annual Report 2019."

### The section headed "5. Business Overview" (page 29 of the Registration Document) shall be completely replaced as follows:

#### **"5.1 Strategy, management and operations risks**

UBS operates as a group with four business divisions (Global Wealth Management, Personal & Corporate Banking, Asset Management, and the Investment Bank) and a Corporate Center. Each of the business divisions and the Corporate Center are described below. A description of the Group's strategy can be found under "Our strategy" in the "Our strategy, business model and environment" section of the Annual Report 2019; a description of the business, strategies, clients, organisational structures, products and services of the business divisions and the Corporate Center can also be found in the "Our strategy, business model and environment" section of the Annual Report 2019.

#### 5.2 Global Wealth Management

Global Wealth Management provides investment advice and solutions to private clients, in particular in the ultra high net worth and high net worth segments. Clients benefit from Global Wealth Management's comprehensive set of capabilities, including wealth planning, investing, lending, asset protection, philanthropy, corporate and banking services, as well as family office services in collaboration with the Investment Bank and Asset Management. Global Wealth Management has a global footprint, with the US representing its largest market. Clients are served through local offices and dedicated advisors.

In January 2020, UBS announced an expansion of its collaboration with the Investment Bank and an intention to make its Global Family Office capabilities available to 1,500 clients. Ultra high net worth client relationships and advisors will be integrated into regional business. UBS will also create three distinct business units in EMEA –Europe, Central and Eastern Europe, and Middle East and Africa – to better capture the diverse opportunities in these markets. In the newly established Global Capital Markets team, UBS will combine its Investment Product Services unit and Investment Bank teams. Refer to "Global Wealth Management organizational changes" in the "Our business " section of the Annual Report 2019 for more information.

### 5.3 Personal & Corporate Banking

Personal & Corporate Banking provides comprehensive financial products and services to private, corporate and institutional clients and operates in Switzerland in the private and corporate loan market. Personal & Corporate Banking is central to UBS's universal bank model in Switzerland and it works with Global Wealth Management, the Investment Bank and Asset Management to help clients receive the best products and solutions for their specific financial needs. While Personal & Corporate Banking operates primarily in its home market of Switzerland, it also provides capabilities to support the growth of the international business activities of UBS's corporate and institutional clients through local hubs in Frankfurt, New York, Hong Kong and Singapore. The business is divided into Personal Banking and Corporate & Institutional Clients (CIC).

#### 5.4 Asset Management

Asset Management is a large-scale and diversified global asset manager. It offers investment capabilities and styles across all major traditional and alternative asset classes, as well as advisory support to institutions, wholesale intermediaries and Global Wealth Management clients around the world. Asset Management offers clients a wide range of investment products and services in different asset classes in the form of segregated, pooled or advisory mandates, as well as registered investment funds in various jurisdictions. It covers the main asset management markets globally, and has a local presence in 22 markets, grouped in four regions: the Americas; Europe, Middle East and Africa; Switzerland; and Asia Pacific.

#### 5.5 Investment Bank

The Investment Bank provides a range of services to institutional, corporate and wealth management clients to help them raise capital, grow their businesses, invest and manage risks. It is focused on its traditional strengths in advisory services, capital markets, equities and foreign exchange, complemented by a targeted rates and credit platform. The Investment Bank uses its research and

technology capabilities to support its clients as they adapt to the evolving market structures and changes in the regulatory, technological, economic and competitive landscapes. The Investment Bank delivers solutions to clients, using its intellectual capital and electronic platforms. It also provides services to Global Wealth Management, Personal & Corporate Banking and Asset Management. It has a global reach, with a presence in more than 30 countries and principal offices in the major financial hubs.

UBS made changes to the Investment Bank effective 1 January 2020: Corporate Client Solutions (CCS) and Investor Client Services (ICS) were renamed Global Banking and Global Markets, respectively. Global Banking adopted a global coverage model and will deploy its deep global industry expertise to meet the needs of its most important clients. Global Markets combined Equities and Foreign Exchange, Rates and Credit, and is introducing three product verticals (Execution & Platform, Derivatives & Solutions, and Financing). Research and Evidence Lab Innovations continues to be a critical part of the Investment Bank's advisory and content offering.

### 5.6 Corporate Center

Corporate Center consists of the Group Chief Operating Officer area (Group Technology, Group Corporate Services, Group Human Resources and Group Operations), Group Treasury, Group Finance, Group Legal, Group Risk Control, Group Communications & Branding, Group Compliance, Regulatory & Governance, UBS in society, and Non-core and Legacy Portfolio ("NCL"). Over recent years, UBS has progressively aligned its support functions with the business divisions. The majority of these functions are either fully aligned or shared among business divisions, where they have full management responsibility. Group Treasury manages the structural risk of UBS's balance sheet, including interest rate risk, structural foreign exchange risk and collateral risk, as well as the risks associated with the Group's liquidity and funding portfolios. Group Treasury serves all business divisions through two main risk management areas, and its risk management is fully integrated into the Group's risk governance framework. NCL manages legacy positions from businesses exited by the Investment Bank. It is overseen by a committee chaired by the Group Chief Risk Officer. The portfolio also includes positions relating to legal matters arising from businesses that were transferred to it at the time of its formation. Beginning with the first guarter 2019 and in compliance with IFRS 8, Operating Segments, UBS provides results for total Corporate Center only and does not separately report Corporate Center – Services, Group Treasury and NCL.

### 5.7 Competition

The financial services industry is characterised by intense competition, continuous innovation, restrictive, detailed, and sometimes fragmented regulation and ongoing consolidation. UBS faces competition at the level of local markets and individual business lines, and from global financial institutions that are comparable to UBS in their size and breadth. Barriers to entry in individual markets and pricing levels are being eroded by new technology. UBS expects these trends to continue and competition to increase.

Any statements regarding the competitive position of UBS AG, UBS AG Group or the Group contained in this document are made on the basis of the opinion of UBS AG or the Group.

### 5.8 UBS AG consolidated key figures

UBS AG derived the selected consolidated financial information included in the table below for the years ended 31 December 2019, 2018 and 2017 from the Annual Report 2019, except where noted.

The consolidated financial statements were prepared in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards ("**IFRS**") issued by the International Accounting Standards Board ("**IASB**").

	As of or for the year ended			
USD million, except where indicated	31.12.19	31.12.18	31.12.17	
	audited, except where indicated			
Results				
Income statement				
Operating income	29,307	30,642	30,044	
Net interest income <sup>1</sup>	4,415	4,971	6,021	
Net fee and commission income	17,460	17,930	17,550	
Credit loss (expense) / recovery	(78)	(117)	(131)	
Other net income from financial instruments measured at fair value through profit or loss <sup>1</sup>	6,833	6,953	5,640	
Operating expenses	24,138	25,184	24,969	
Operating profit / (loss) before tax	5,169	5,458	5,076	
Net profit / (loss) attributable to shareholders	3,965	4,107	758	
Balance sheet <sup>2</sup>	I			
Total assets	971,916	958,055	940,020	
Total financial liabilities measured at amortized cost	617,429	612,174	660,498	
of which: customer deposits	450,591	421,986	423,058	
of which: debt issued measured at amortized cost	62,835	91,245	107,458	
of which: subordinated debt	7,431	7,511	9,217	
Total financial liabilities measured at fair value through profit or loss	291,452	283,717	217,814	
of which: debt issued designated at fair value	66,592	57,031	50,782	
Loans and advances to customers	327,992	321,482	328,952	
Total equity	53,928	52,432	52,046	
Equity attributable to shareholders	53,754	52,256	51,987	
Profitability and growth		÷		
Return on equity (%) <sup>3</sup>	7.4*	7.9*	1.4*	
Return on tangible equity (%)	8.5*	9.1*	1.6*	
Return on common equity tier 1 capital (%)	11.3*	11.9*	2.3*	
Return on risk-weighted assets, gross (%)	11.2*	12.0*	12.8*	
Return on leverage ratio denominator, gross (%)	3.2*	3.4*	3.4*	
Cost / income ratio (%)	82.1*	81.9*	82.7*	
Net profit growth (%)	(3.4)*	441.9*	(77.4)*	
Resources		·		
Common equity tier 1 capital <sup>3,4</sup>	35,280	34,608	34,100*	
Risk-weighted assets <sup>3</sup>	257,831*	262,840*	242,725*	
Common equity tier 1 capital ratio (%) <sup>3</sup>	13.7*	13.2*	14.0*	
Going concern capital ratio (%) <sup>3</sup>	18.3*	16.1*	15.6*	
Total loss-absorbing capacity ratio (%) <sup>3</sup>	33.9*	31.3*	31.4*	
Leverage ratio denominator <sup>3</sup>	911,232*	904,458*	910,133*	
Common equity tier 1 leverage ratio (%) <sup>3</sup>	3.87*	3.83*	3.75*	
Going concern leverage ratio (%) <sup>3</sup>	5.2*	4.7*	4.2*	

Other			
Invested assets (USD billion) <sup>5</sup>	3,607	3,101	3,262
Personnel (full-time equivalents)	47,005*	47,643*	46,009*

\* unaudited

<sup>1</sup> Effective 1 January 2019, UBS AG refined the presentation of dividend income and expense. This resulted in a reclassification of dividends from *Interest income (expense) from financial instruments measured at fair value through profit or loss* into *Other net income from financial instruments measured at fair value through profit or loss* (prior to 1 January 2019: *Other net income from fair value changes on financial instruments*). Net Interest Income and Other net income from financial instruments measured at fair value through profit or loss for prior-year comparative was restated accordingly.

<sup>2</sup>Balance sheet information for year ended 31 December 2017 is derived from the Annual Report 2018.

<sup>3</sup>Based on the Swiss systemically relevant bank framework as of 1 January 2020.

<sup>4</sup> The information as published in Swiss francs in the Annual Report 2017 for the period ended on 31 December 2017 (CHF 33,240 million) was audited.

<sup>5</sup> Includes invested assets for Global Wealth Management, Asset Management and Personal & Corporate Banking. Calculated as the sum of managed fund assets, managed institutional assets, discretionary and advisory wealth management portfolios, fiduciary deposits, time deposits, savings accounts, and wealth management securities or brokerage accounts. This measure provides information about the volume of client assets managed by or deposited with UBS for investment purposes.

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### In the section headed "6. Organisational Structure of UBS AG" (page 32 et seq. of the Registration Document) the last three paragraphs shall be completely replaced as follows:

"UBS Group AG's interests in subsidiaries and other entities as of 31 December 2019, including interests in significant subsidiaries, are discussed in "Note 31 Interests in subsidiaries and other entities" to the UBS Group AG's consolidated financial statements included in the UBS Group AG and UBS AG Annual Report 2019 published on 28 February 2020 ("Annual Report 2019").

UBS AG's interests in subsidiaries and other entities as of 31 December 2019, including interests in significant subsidiaries, are discussed in "Note 31 Interests in subsidiaries and other entities" to the UBS AG's consolidated financial statements included in the Annual Report 2019.

UBS AG is the parent company of, and conducts a significant portion of its operations through, its subsidiaries. UBS AG has contributed a significant portion of its capital and provides substantial liquidity to subsidiaries. In addition, UBS Business Solutions AG provides substantial services to group companies including UBS AG and its subsidiaries. To this extent, UBS AG is dependent on certain of the entities of the UBS AG Group and of the UBS Group."

### The section headed "7. Trend Information" (page 33 et seq. of the Registration Document) shall be completely replaced as follows:

### "7.1 Material Adverse Change in the Prospects of UBS AG

There has been no material adverse change in the prospects of UBS AG or UBS AG Group since 31 December 2019.

### 7.2 Significant Changes in the Financial Performance of the UBS AG Group

There has been no significant change in the financial performance of UBS AG Group since 31 December 2019, which is the end of the last financial period for which financial information has been published.

### 7.3 Recent Developments

#### Business and strategic developments

In January 2020, UBS announced that it has agreed to sell a majority stake (51.2%) in UBS Fondcenter to Clearstream, Deutsche Börse Group's post-trade services provider. The sale is expected to close in the second half of 2020, subject to customary closing conditions. UBS will retain a minority (48.8%) shareholding in the business and will enter into an agreement under which it may sell its remaining shareholding to Clearstream at a later date. As part of the transaction, UBS and Clearstream will enter into long-term commercial cooperation arrangements for the provision of services to UBS's Global Wealth Management, Asset Management and the Corporate and Institutional Clients unit of Personal & Corporate Banking. UBS expects to record a post-tax gain of around USD 600 million and an increase in CET1 capital of around USD 400 million upon closing of the transaction. UBS will deconsolidate UBS Fondcenter and account for minority interest as an investment in an associate.

### Accounting, regulatory, legal and other developments

#### US Regulation Best Interest

The SEC has adopted rules and interpretations intended to enhance customer protection of retail investors. The effective date of these new provisions will be 30 June 2020. The new rules are intended to align the legal requirements and mandated disclosures for broker-dealers and investment advisers with reasonable investor expectations, while preserving access, in terms of choice and cost, to a variety of investment services and products. Regulation Best Interest elevates the standard of care for broker-dealers from the current "suitability" requirement to a newly defined "best interest" standard, which applies to any securities transaction or investment strategy involving securities offered to a retail customer and makes clear that a broker-dealer may not put its financial interests ahead of the interests of a retail customer when making recommendations. The regulation also creates new disclosure requirements and additional compliance program requirements. Implementation of these changes will require operational and supervisory changes for UBS's US broker-dealers.

#### US Securities and Exchange Commission adopts US security-based swaps regulations

In 2019, the SEC adopted a number of rules and rule amendments for security-based swap dealers ("SBSDs"), including: (i) capital, margin and segregation requirements; (ii) record-keeping, reporting and notification requirements; and (iii) the application of risk mitigation techniques to uncleared portfolios of security-based swaps. In December 2019, the SEC also adopted rules and interpretations (effective 6 April 2020) intended to expand and improve the framework for regulating cross-border security-based swaps. The December 2019 rules address registration requirements for foreign SBSDs, including guidance on the process for obtaining substituted compliance for non-US SBSDs. UBS expects that UBS AG will be required to register as an SBSD. The date for security-based swap regulations

(including margin, capital, segregation, record-keeping and reporting, and business conduct requirements), is 6 October 2021.

#### Basel III implementation across jurisdictions

In Switzerland, the technical work on implementation of the Basel III rules finalized in 2017 started in the second half of 2019, led by the Swiss Federal Department of Finance and FINMA. However, none of the proposals have been made public so far. The European Commission (the "EC") consulted on the EU's approach to the implementation of the remaining elements of Basel III (including the market risk framework, the standardized approach to credit risk, operational risk and the output floor). The EC is expected to publish legislative proposals by June 2020. UBS's EU entities, principally UBS Europe SE, will be in scope of the EU requirements. US regulators have not yet proposed rules regarding the implementation of the remaining elements of Basel III. Regulators in jurisdictions relevant to UBS are committed to meeting the BCBS implementation timeline for final Basel III rules as of 1 January 2022. However, UBS expects the effective dates to be later due to transition periods.

#### Developments related to the transition away from IBORs

Liquidity and activity in ARRs continue to develop in markets around the world, with work progressing to resolve certain issues associated with transitioning away from IBORs. Regulatory authorities continue to focus on transitioning to ARRs by the end of 2021. In June 2019, the SNB introduced the SNB policy rate, which replaces the previously used target range for the three-month CHF LIBOR. The SNB policy rate signals the interest rate level for secured short-term money market rates, with a focus on the Swiss Average Rate Overnight ("SARON"). The introduction of the SNB policy rate is also intended to foster an early transition to SARON. The Financial Conduct Authority and Bank of England encourage switches from LIBOR to the Sterling Overnight Index Average ("SONIA") for sterling interest rate swaps from the first quarter of 2020. In addition, banks need to target a stopping point with regard to the issuance of cash products linked to sterling LIBOR by the end of the third quarter of 2020 and a significant reduction of the number of existing contracts in circulation that reference the rate. The European Central Bank published the euro short-term rate (€STR), the ARR for EUR markets, for the first time in October 2019.

Liquidity in the US Secured Overnight Financing Rate ("SOFR") is still developing and is concentrated among a few issuers, primarily government-sponsored enterprises. SOFR averages are expected to be published beginning in the first half of 2020. The US Commodity Futures Trading Commission ("CFTC") has issued no-action letters that provide relief and ensure that market participants are not penalized as they transition from LIBOR to ARRs.

UBS has a substantial number of contracts linked to IBORs. ARRs do not currently provide a term structure, which will require a change in the contractual terms of products currently indexed on terms other than overnight. UBS has established a cross-divisional, cross-regional governance structure and change program to address the scale and complexity of the transition.

### 7.4 Trend Information

As indicated in the Annual Report 2019, UBS expects continued sub-trend growth in the coming year, and the global economy to continue expanding at about the same pace as in 2019. Consumer spending has remained robust in much of the world, especially in the US, where it is supported by a vibrant job market. The year ended with news of a "Phase 1" trade deal between the US and China, along with indications that tensions between the two powers may lessen. Not only did the agreement withdraw planned tariff increases and reverse some existing tariffs, it also moved negotiations forward in other areas of contention, such as intellectual property protection and US access to China's financial services market. While this truce could be fragile and the US–China rivalry is not about to end anytime soon, the deal appears to reduce the risks to the global economy and business investment. The UK left the European Union on 31 January 2020 and has entered a transition period in which the UK now faces a race to conclude talks on a trade deal with the EU ahead of the end of its transition period on 31 December 2020. The next major political focus for markets will be the US election in November, which could generate higher volatility and affect key US sectors, such as technology, energy, finance and health care. Against a backdrop of sluggish growth and continued political risk, UBS believes central banks will be in no rush to raise rates. UBS does not expect the US Federal Reserve to increase rates in the coming year, barring an unexpected shift in the

trajectory of the economic data. Rates are unlikely to rise again until 2021. UBS expects the ECB to cut rates to negative 0.6%, with the Swiss National Bank maintaining rates at a negative 0.75%.

The outbreak of novel Coronavirus, or Covid-19, in China and its subsequent spread worldwide has significantly increased risk within the global economy and investor uncertainty. In addition, substantial deterioration in oil prices may have additional effects on the economy and certain sectors. As a result equity markets have experienced significant declines, market volatility has substantially increased and some markets have experienced disruptions in orderly function. In the short-term UBS may benefit from higher transaction volumes and increased volatility, although continuation of these trends is uncertain. Looking forward lower asset prices would adversely affect invested assets with a consequent effect on recurring fee income, and lower interest rates will reduce net interest income. The outbreak of Covid-19 and the measures being taken globally to reduce the peak of the resulting pandemic will likely have a significant adverse effect on global economic activity, including in China, the United States and Europe. In addition, these factors are likely to have an adverse effect on the credit profile of some of UBS's clients and other market participants, which may result in an increase in expected credit loss expense and credit impairments."

In the section headed "9 Administrative, Management and Supervisory Bodies of UBS AG" (page 36 et seq.of the Registration Document) the subsection "9.2 Members of the Board of Directors (as of the date of this Registration Document)" shall be completely replaced as follows:

#### "9.2 Members of the Board of Directors

The current members of the BoD are listed below. In addition, the BoD announced it will nominate Nathalie Rachou and Mark Hughes for election to the BoD at the next annual general meeting, and David Sidwell and Isabelle Romy are not standing for re-election.

Member and business address	Title	Term of office	Current principal activities outside UBS AG
Axel A. Weber UBS AG, Bahnhofstrasse 45, CH-8001 Zurich	Chairman	2020	Chairman of the Board of Directors of UBS Group AG; board member of the Swiss Bankers Association; Trustees Board member of Avenir Suisse; board member of the Swiss Finance Council; Chairman of the board of the Institute of International Finance; member of the European Financial Services Round Table; member of the European Banking Group; member of the International Advisory Councils of the China Banking and Insurance Regulatory Commission and the China Securities Regulatory Commission; member of the International Advisory Panel, Monetary Authority of Singapore; member of the Group of Thirty, Washington, D.C.; Chairman of the Board of Trustees of DIW Berlin; Advisory Board member of the Department of Economics, University of Zurich; member of the Trilateral Commission.
David Sidwell UBS AG, Bahnhofstrasse 45, CH-8001 Zurich	Vice Chairman	2020	Vice Chairman and Senior Independent Director of the Board of Directors of UBS Group AG; Senior Advisor at Oliver Wyman, New York; board member of the board of Chubb Limited; board member of GAVI Alliance; member of the Board of Village Care, New York.
Jeremy Anderson UBS AG, Bahnhofstrasse 45, CH-8001 Zurich	Member	2020	Member of the Board of Directors of UBS Group AG; board member of Prudential plc; trustee of the UK's Productivity Leadership Group; trustee of Kingham Hill Trust; trustee of St. Helen Bishopsgate.
William C. Dudley UBS AG, Bahnhofstrasse 45, CH-8001 Zurich	Member	2020	Member of the Board of Directors of UBS Group AG; senior research scholar at the Griswold Center for Economic Policy Studies at Princeton University; member of the Board of Treliant LLC; member of the Group of Thirty; member of the Council on Foreign Relations; member of the Bretton Woods Committee's Advisory Council.
Reto Francioni UBS AG, Bahnhofstrasse 45, CH-8001 Zurich	Member	2020	Member of the Board of Directors of UBS Group AG; professor at the University of Basel; board member of Coca-Cola HBC AG (Senior Independent Non-Executive Director, chair of the nomination committee); Chairman of the board of Swiss International Air Lines AG; board member of MedTech Innovation Partners AG; executive director and member of my TAMAR GmBH.
Fred Hu UBS AG, Bahnhofstrasse 45, CH-8001 Zurich	Member	2020	Member of the Board of Directors of UBS Group AG; non-executive chairman of the board of Yum China Holdings (chair of the nomination and governance committee); board member of Industrial and Commercial Bank of China; board member of Hong Kong Exchanges and Clearing Ltd.; founder and chairman of Primavera Capital Group; board member of China Asset Management; board member of Minsheng Financial Leasing Co.; trustee of the China Medical Board; Governor of the Chinese International School in Hong Kong; co-chairman of the Nature Conservancy Asia Pacific Council; director and member of the Executive Committee of China Venture Capital and Private Equity Association Ltd.; Global Advisory Board member of the Council on Foreign Relations.
Julie G. Richardson UBS AG, Bahnhofstrasse 45, CH-8001 Zurich	Member	2020	Member of the Board of Directors of UBS Group AG; member of the board of Yext (chair of the audit committee); member of the board of Vereit, Inc. (chair of the compensation committee); member of the board of Datalog (chair of the audit committee); member of the board of The Hartford Financial Services Group, Inc. (resignation effective 1 April 2020).
Isabelle Romy UBS AG, Bahnhofstrasse 45, CH-8001 Zurich	Member	2020	Member of the Board of Directors of UBS Group AG; partner and board member at Froriep Legal AG; professor at the University of Fribourg and at the Federal Institute of Technology, Lausanne; chair of the board of Central Real Estate Holding AG; chair of the board of Central Real Estate Basel AG; Vice Chairman of the Sanction Commission of the SIX Swiss Exchange; member of the Fundraising Committee of the Swiss National Committee for

			UNICEF; Supervisory Board member of the CAS program Financial Regulation of the University of Bern and University of Geneva.
Robert W. Scully UBS AG, Bahnhofstrasse 45, CH-8001 Zurich	Member	2020	Member of the Board of Directors of UBS Group AG; member of the board of Chubb Limited (chair of the audit committee); member of the board of Zoetis, Inc.; member of the board of KKR & Co. Inc.; member of the board of Teach For All.
<u>Be</u> atrice Weder di Mauro UBS AG, Bahnhofstrasse 45, CH-8001 Zurich	Member	2020	Member of the Board of Directors of UBS Group AG; professor of international economics at the Graduate Institute Geneva (IHEID); president of the Centre for Economic Policy Research in London; Research Professor and Distinguished Fellow at INSEAD in Singapore; Supervisory Board member of Robert Bosch GmbH; board member of Bombardier Inc.; member of the Foundation Board of the International Center for Monetary and Banking Studies (ICMB).
Dieter Wemmer UBS AG, Bahnhofstrasse 45, CH-8001 Zurich	Member	2020	Member of the Board of Directors of UBS Group AG; board member of Ørsted A/S (chair of the audit and risk committee); member of the Berlin Center of Corporate Governance.
Jeanette Wong UBS AG, Bahnhofstrasse 45, CH-8001 Zurich	Member	2020	Member of the Board of Directors of UBS Group AG; board member of Essilor International and EssilorLuxottica; board member of Jurong Town Corporation; board member of PSA International; board member of FFMC Holdings Pte. Ltd.; board member of Fullerton Fund Management Company Ltd.; member of the NUS Business School Management Advisory Board; member of the Global Advisory Board, Asia, University of Chicago Booth School of Business; member of the Securities Industry Council.

In the section headed "9 Administrative, Management and Supervisory Bodies of UBS AG" (page 37 et seq. of the Registration Document) the subsection "9.5 Members of the Executive Board (as of the date of this Registration Document)" shall be completely replaced as follows:

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#### "9.4 Executive Board ("EB")

The current members of the EB are listed below. In addition, UBS announced Ralph Hamers will join the EB as of 1 September 2020 and will succeed Sergio P. Ermotti as President of the EB effective 1 November 2020.

Member and business address	Function	Current principal activities outside UBS AG
Sergio P. Ermotti UBS AG, Bahnhofstrasse 45, CH-8001 Zurich	President of the Executive Board	Member of the Group Executive Board and Group Chief Executive Officer of UBS Group AG; board member of UBS Switzerland AG; Chairman of the UBS Optimus Foundation board; Chairman of the Fondazione Ermotti, Lugano; board member of the Swiss-American Chamber of Commerce; board member of the Global Apprenticeship Network; member of the Institut International D'Etudes Bancaires; member of the Saïd Business School Global Leadership Council, University of Oxford.
Christian Bluhm UBS AG, Bahnhofstrasse 45, CH-8001 Zurich	Chief Risk Officer	Member of the Group Executive Board and Group Chief Risk Officer of UBS Group AG; board member of UBS Switzerland AG; chairman of the Foundation Board – International Financial Risk Institute.
Markus U. Diethelm UBS AG, Bahnhofstrasse 45, CH-8001 Zurich	General Counsel	Member of the Group Executive Board and Group General Counsel of UBS Group AG; chairman of the Swiss-American Chamber of Commerce's legal committee; Chairman of the Swiss Advisory Council of the American Swiss Foundation; member of the Foundation Council of the UBS International Center of Economics in Society; member of the Supervisory Board of the Fonds de Dotation LUMA / Arles.
Kirt Gardner UBS AG, Bahnhofstrasse	Chief Financial Officer	Member of the Group Executive Board and Group Chief Financial Officer of UBS Group AG; board member of UBS Business Solutions AG.

45, CH-8001 Zurich	•	
Suni Harford UBS AG, 1285 Avenue of the Americas, New York, NY 10019 USA	President Asset Management	Member of the Executive Board, President Asset Management of UBS Group AG; chairman of the Board of Directors of UBS Asset Management AG; member of the Leadership Council of the Bob Woodruff Foundation; member of the Board of UBS Optimus Foundation.
Robert Karofsky UBS AG, 1285 Avenue of the Americas, New York, NY 10019, USA	Co-President Investment Bank	Member of the Group Executive Board and co-President Investment Bank of UBS Group AG; president and board member of UBS Securities LLC; trustee of the UBS Americas Inc. Political Action Committee.
Sabine Keller-Busse UBS AG, Bahnhofstrasse 45, CH-8001 Zurich	Chief Operating Officer and President UBS Europe, Middle East and Africa	Member of the Group Executive Board, Group Chief Operating Officer and President UBS Europe, Middle East and Africa of UBS Group AG; member of the Supervisory Board of UBS Europe SE; board member of UBS Business Solutions AG; vice- chairman of the Board of Directors of SIX Group (Chairman of the nomination & compensation committee); Foundation Board member of the UBS Pension Fund; board member of the University Hospital Zurich Foundation.
lqbal Khan UBS AG, Bahnhofstrasse 45, CH-8001 Zurich	Co-President Global Wealth Management	Member of the Executive Board and co-President Global Wealth Management of UBS Group AG; board member of Room To Read Switzerland.
Edmund Koh UBS AG, One Raffles Quay North Tower, Singapore 048583	President UBS Asia Pacific	Member of the Group Executive Board and President UBS Asia Pacific of UBS Group AG; member of the Wealth Management Institute at Nanyang Technological University, Singapore; member of the Singapore Ministry of Finance's Committee on the Future Economy Sub-Committees; member of the Financial Centre Advisory Panel; board member of Next50 Limited; trustee of the Cultural Matching Fund; board member of Medico Suites (S) Pte Ltd; board member of Medico Republic (S) Pte Ltd; Council member of the Asian Bureau of Finance and Economic Research.
Tom Naratil UBS AG, 1285 Avenue of the Americas, New York, NY 10019 USA	Co-President Global Wealth Management and President UBS Americas	Member of the Group Executive Board and co-President Global Wealth Management and President UBS Americas of UBS Group AG; CEO and board member of UBS Americas Holding LLC; board member of the American Swiss Foundation; member of the Board of Consultors for the College of Nursing at Villanova University.
Piero Novelli UBS AG, Bahnhofstrasse 45, CH-8001 Zurich	Co-President Investment Bank	Member of the Group Executive Board and co-President Investment Bank of UBS Group AG.
Markus Ronner UBS AG, Bahnhofstrasse 45, CH-8001 Zurich	Chief Compliance and Governance Officer	Member of the Group Executive Board and Group Chief Compliance and Governance Officer of UBS Group AG.

The section headed "11. Financial Information concerning the Issuer's Assets and Liabilites, Financial Position and Profits and Losses" (page 39 et seq. of the Registration Document) shall be completely replaced as follows:

### "11.1 Historical Annual Financial Information

Detailed information about UBS AG consolidated and UBS AG assets and liabilities, financial position and profits and losses for financial year 2019 is available in the section "UBS AG consolidated financial statements" of the Annual Report 2019 and in the UBS AG's standalone financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2019 (the "Standalone Financial Statements 2019"), respectively; and for financial year 2018 it is available in the "UBS AG consolidated financial statements" section of the UBS Group AG and UBS AG annual report 2018, published on 15 March 2019 ("Annual Report 2018") and in the UBS AG's standalone financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2018 (the "Standalone Financial Statements 2018"). The consolidated and standalone financial accounts are closed on 31 December of each year.

With respect to the financial year 2019, reference is made to:

- the following parts of the Annual Report 2019: the UBS AG consolidated financial statements, in particular to the Income statement on page 498, the Balance sheet on page 501, the Statement of changes in equity on pages 502-505 (inclusive), the Statement of cash flows on pages 507-508 (inclusive) and the Notes to the consolidated financial statements on pages 510-685 (inclusive); and
- (ii) the following parts of the Standalone Financial Statements 2019: the Income statement on page 2, the Balance sheet on pages 3-4, the Statement of proposed appropriation of total profit and dividend distribution on page 6, and the Notes to the UBS AG standalone financial statements on pages 7-29 (inclusive).

With respect to the financial year 2018, reference is made to:

- the following parts of the Annual Report 2018: the UBS AG consolidated financial statements, in particular to the Income statement on page 524, the Balance sheet on page 527, the Statement of changes in equity on pages 528-531 (inclusive), the Statement of cash flows on pages 533-534 (inclusive) and the Notes to the consolidated financial statements on pages 535-722 (inclusive); and
- (ii) the following parts of the Standalone Financial Statements 2018: the Income statement on page 1, the Balance sheet on pages 2-3 (inclusive), the Statement of appropriation of total profit / (loss) carried forward on page 5, and the Notes to the UBS AG standalone financial statements on pages 6-28 (inclusive).

The annual financial reports form an essential part of UBS AG's reporting. They include the audited consolidated financial statements of UBS AG, prepared in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards, as issued by the International Accounting Standards Board. The annual reports also include discussions and analysis of the consolidated financial and business results of UBS, its business divisions and the Corporate Center. In addition, UBS AG prepares and publishes standalone financial statements in accordance with Swiss GAAP, as well as certain additional disclosures required under US Securities and Exchange Commission regulations.

### **11.2.** Auditing of Historical Annual Financial Information

The consolidated financial statements and the standalone financial statements of UBS AG for financial years 2019 and 2018 were audited by Ernst & Young. The reports of the auditors on the consolidated financial statements can be found on pages 487-497 (inclusive) of the Annual Report 2019 and on pages 514-523 (inclusive) of the Annual Report 2018. The reports of the auditors on the standalone financial statements of UBS AG can be found on pages 30-33 (inclusive) of the Standalone Financial Statements 2019 and on pages 29-33 (inclusive) of the Standalone Financial Statements 2019 and on pages 29-33 (inclusive) of the Standalone Financial Statements 2018.

There are no qualifications in the auditors' reports on the consolidated financial statements of UBS AG and the standalone financial statements of UBS AG for the years ended on 31 December 2019 and 31 December 2018, which are incorporated by reference into this document.

### **11.3** Incorporation by Reference

The Annual Report 2019, the Standalone Financial Statements 2019, the Annual Report 2018 and the Standalone Financial Statements 2018 are fully incorporated in, and form an integral part of, this document."

### The section headed "12. Litigation, Regulatory and Similar Matters" (page 40 et seq. of the Registration Document) shall be replaced as follows:

" UBS operates in a legal and regulatory environment that exposes it to significant litigation and similar risks arising from disputes and regulatory proceedings. As a result, UBS (which for purposes of this section may refer to UBS AG and / or one or more of its subsidiaries, as applicable) is involved in various disputes and legal proceedings, including litigation, arbitration, and regulatory and criminal investigations.

Such matters are subject to many uncertainties, and the outcome and the timing of resolution are often difficult to predict, particularly in the earlier stages of a case. There are also situations where UBS may enter into a settlement agreement. This may occur in order to avoid the expense, management distraction or reputational implications of continuing to contest liability, even for those matters for which UBS believes it should be exonerated. The uncertainties inherent in all such matters affect the amount and timing of any potential outflows for both matters with respect to which provisions have been established and other contingent liabilities. UBS makes provisions for such matters brought against it when, in the opinion of management after seeking legal advice, it is more likely than not that UBS has a present legal or constructive obligation as a result of past events, it is probable that an outflow of resources will be required, and the amount can be reliably estimated. Where these factors are otherwise satisfied, a provision may be established for claims that have not yet been asserted against UBS, but are nevertheless expected to be, based on UBS's experience with similar asserted claims. If any of those conditions is not met, such matters result in contingent liabilities. If the amount of an obligation cannot be reliably estimated, a liability exists that is not recognized even if an outflow of resources is probable. Accordingly, no provision is established even if the potential outflow of resources with respect to such matters could be significant. Developments relating to a matter that occur after the relevant reporting period, but prior to the issuance of financial statements, which affect management's assessment of the provision for such matter (because, for example, the developments provide evidence of conditions that existed at the end of the reporting period), are adjusting events after the reporting period under IAS 10 and must be recognized in the financial statements for the reporting period.

Specific litigation, regulatory and other matters are described below, including all such matters that management considers to be material and others that management believes to be of significance due to potential financial, reputational and other effects. The amount of damages claimed, the size of a transaction or other information is provided where available and appropriate in order to assist users in considering the magnitude of potential exposures.

In the case of certain matters below, UBS states that it has established a provision, and for the other matters, it makes no such statement. When UBS makes this statement and it expects disclosure of the amount of a provision to prejudice seriously its position with other parties in the matter because it would reveal what UBS believes to be the probable and reliably estimable outflow, UBS does not disclose that amount. In some cases UBS is subject to confidentiality obligations that preclude such disclosure. With respect to the matters for which UBS does not state whether it has established a provision, either (a) it has not established a provision, in which case the matter is treated as a contingent liability under the applicable accounting standard; or (b) it has established a provision but expects disclosure of that fact to prejudice seriously its position with other parties in the matter because it would reveal the fact that UBS believes an outflow of resources to be probable and reliably estimable.

With respect to certain litigation, regulatory and similar matters for which UBS has established provisions, UBS is able to estimate the expected timing of outflows. However, the aggregate amount of the expected outflows for those matters for which it is able to estimate expected timing is immaterial relative to its current and expected levels of liquidity over the relevant time periods.

The aggregate amount provisioned for litigation, regulatory and similar matters as a class is disclosed in "Note 21a Provisions" of the UBS AG's consolidated financial statements included in the Annual Report 2019. It is not practicable to provide an aggregate estimate of liability for UBS's litigation, regulatory and similar matters as a class of contingent liabilities. Doing so would require UBS to provide speculative legal assessments as to claims and proceedings that involve unique fact patterns or novel legal theories, that have not yet been initiated or are at early stages of adjudication, or as to which alleged damages have not been quantified by the claimants. Although it therefore cannot provide a numerical estimate of the future losses that could arise from litigation, regulatory and similar matters, UBS believes that the aggregate amount of possible future losses from this class that are more than remote substantially exceeds the level of current provisions. Litigation, regulatory and similar matters may also result in non-monetary penalties and consequences. For example, the nonprosecution agreement described in item 5 of this section, which UBS entered into with the US Department of Justice ("DOJ"), Criminal Division, Fraud Section in connection with UBS's submissions of benchmark interest rates, including, among others, the British Bankers' Association London Interbank Offered Rate ("LIBOR"), was terminated by the DOJ based on its determination that UBS had committed a US crime in relation to foreign exchange matters. As a consequence, UBS AG pleaded guilty to one count of wire fraud for conduct in the LIBOR matter, paid a fine and was subject to probation, which ended in early January 2020.

A guilty plea to, or conviction of, a crime could have material consequences for UBS. Resolution of regulatory proceedings may require UBS to obtain waivers of regulatory disqualifications to maintain certain operations, may entitle regulatory authorities to limit, suspend or terminate licenses and regulatory authorizations and may permit financial market utilities to limit, suspend or terminate UBS's participation in such utilities. Failure to obtain such waivers, or any limitation, suspension or termination of licenses, authorizations or participations, could have material consequences for UBS.

The risk of loss associated with litigation, regulatory and similar matters is a component of operational risk for purposes of determining UBS's capital requirements. Information concerning UBS's capital requirements and the calculation of operational risk for this purpose is included in the "Capital management" section of the Annual Report 2019.

USD million	Global Wealth Management	Personal & Corporate Banking	Asset Manage- ment	Investment Bank	Corporate Center	Total 2019	Total 2018
Balance at the beginning of the year	1,003	117	0	269	1,438	2,827	2,508
Increase in provisions recognized in the income statement	188	1	0	60	10	258	905
Release of provisions recognized in the income statement	(49)	0	0	(6)	(27)	(81)	(220)
Provisions used in conformity with designated purpose	(350)	(4)	0	(66)	(97)	(518)	(350)
Foreign currency translation / unwind of discount	(10)	(1)	0	(2)	0	(12)	(16)
Balance at the end of the year	782	113	0	255	1,325	2,475	2,827

#### Provisions for litigation, regulatory and similar matters by business division and in Corporate Center<sup>1</sup>

1 Provisions, if any, for the matters described in this section are recorded in Global Wealth Management (items 3, 4 and 7) and Corporate Center (item 2). Provisions, if any, for the matters described in items 1 and 6 of this section are allocated between Global Wealth Management and Personal & Corporate Banking, and provisions, if any, for the matters described in this section in item 5 are allocated between the Investment Bank and Corporate Center.

#### 12.1 Inquiries regarding cross-border wealth management businesses

Tax and regulatory authorities in a number of countries have made inquiries, served requests for information or examined employees located in their respective jurisdictions relating to the crossborder wealth management services provided by UBS and other financial institutions. It is possible that the implementation of automatic tax information exchange and other measures relating to cross-border provision of financial services could give rise to further inquiries in the future. UBS has received disclosure orders from the Swiss Federal Tax Administration ("FTA") to transfer information based on requests for international administrative assistance in tax matters. The requests concern a number of UBS account numbers pertaining to current and former clients and are based on data from 2006 and 2008. UBS has taken steps to inform affected clients about the administrative assistance proceedings and their procedural rights, including the right to appeal. The requests are based on data received from the German authorities, who seized certain data related to UBS clients booked in Switzerland during their investigations and have apparently shared this data with other European countries. UBS expects additional countries to file similar requests.

The Swiss Federal Administrative Court ruled in 2016 that, in the administrative assistance proceedings related to a French bulk request, UBS has the right to appeal all final FTA client data disclosure orders. On 30 July 2018, the Swiss Federal Administrative Court granted UBS's appeal by holding the French administrative assistance request inadmissible. The FTA filed a final appeal with

the Swiss Federal Supreme Court. On 26 July 2019, the Supreme Court reversed the decision of the Federal Administrative Court. In December 2019, the court released its written decision. The decision requires the FTA to obtain confirmation from the French authorities that transmitted data will be used only for the purposes stated in their request before transmitting any data. The stated purpose of the original request was to obtain information relating to taxes owed by account holders. Accordingly, any information transferred to the French authorities must not be passed to criminal authorities or used in connection with the ongoing case against UBS discussed in this item.

Since 2013, UBS (France) S.A., UBS AG and certain former employees have been under investigation in France for alleged complicity in unlawful solicitation of clients on French territory, regarding the laundering of proceeds of tax fraud, and banking and financial solicitation by unauthorized persons. In connection with this investigation, the investigating judges ordered UBS AG to provide bail ("caution") of EUR 1.1 billion and UBS (France) S.A. to post bail of EUR 40 million, which was reduced on appeal to EUR 10 million.

A trial in the court of first instance took place from 8 October 2018 until 15 November 2018. On 20 February 2019, the court announced a verdict finding UBS AG guilty of unlawful solicitation of clients on French territory and aggravated laundering of the proceeds of tax fraud, and UBS France S.A. guilty of aiding and abetting unlawful solicitation and laundering the proceeds of tax fraud. The court imposed fines aggregating EUR 3.7 billion on UBS AG and UBS France S.A. and awarded EUR 800 million of civil damages to the French state. UBS has appealed the decision. Under French law, the judgment is suspended while the appeal is pending. The trial in the Court of Appeal is scheduled for June 2020. The Court of Appeal will retry the case de novo as to both the law and the facts, and the fines and penalties can be greater than or less than those imposed by the court of first instance. A subsequent appeal to the Court de Cassation, France's highest court, is possible with respect to questions of law.

UBS believes that based on both the law and the facts the judgment of the court of first instance should be reversed. UBS believes it followed its obligations under Swiss and French law as well as the European Savings Tax Directive. Even assuming liability, which it contests, UBS believes the penalties and damage amounts awarded greatly exceed the amounts that could be supported by the law and the facts. In particular, UBS believes the court incorrectly based the penalty on the total regularized assets rather than on any unpaid taxes on those assets for which a fraud has been characterized and further incorrectly awarded damages based on costs that were not proven by the civil party. Notwithstanding that UBS believes it should be acquitted, UBS's balance sheet at 31 December 2019 reflected provisions with respect to this matter in an amount of EUR 450 million (USD 505 million at 31 December 2019). The wide range of possible outcomes in this case contributes to a high degree of estimation uncertainty. The provision reflected on UBS's balance sheet at 31 December 2019 reflects its best estimate of possible financial implications, although it is reasonably possible that actual penalties and civil damages could exceed the provision amount.

In 2016, UBS was notified by the Belgian investigating judge that it is under formal investigation ("inculpé") regarding the laundering of proceeds of tax fraud, of banking and financial solicitation by unauthorized persons, and of serious tax fraud. In 2018, tax authorities and a prosecutor's office in Italy asserted that UBS is potentially liable for taxes and penalties as a result of its activities in Italy from 2012 to 2017. In June 2019, UBS entered into a settlement agreement with the Italian tax authorities under which it paid EUR 101 million to resolve the claims asserted by the authority related to UBS AG's potential permanent establishment in Italy. In October 2019, the Judge of Preliminary Investigations of the Milan Court approved an agreement with the Milan prosecutor under Article 63 of Italian Administrative Law 231 under which UBS AG, UBS Switzerland AG and UBS Monaco have paid an aggregate of EUR 10.3 million to resolve claims premised on the alleged inadequacy of historical internal controls. No admission of wrongdoing was required in connection with this resolution.

UBS's balance sheet at 31 December 2019 reflected provisions with respect to matters described in this item 1 in an amount that UBS believes to be appropriate under the applicable accounting standard. As in the case of other matters for which UBS has established provisions, the future outflow of resources in respect of such matters cannot be determined with certainty based on currently available information and accordingly may ultimately prove to be substantially greater (or may be less) than the provision that UBS has recognized.

### **12.2** Claims related to sales of residential mortgage-backed securities and mortgages

From 2002 through 2007, prior to the crisis in the US residential loan market, UBS was a substantial issuer and underwriter of US residential mortgage-backed securities ("RMBS") and was a purchaser and seller of US residential mortgages. A subsidiary of UBS, UBS Real Estate Securities Inc. ("UBS RESI"), acquired pools of residential mortgage loans from originators and (through an affiliate) deposited them into securitization trusts. In this manner, from 2004 through 2007, UBS RESI sponsored approximately USD 80 billion in RMBS, based on the original principal balances of the securities issued.

UBS RESI also sold pools of loans acquired from originators to third-party purchasers. These whole loan sales during the period 2004 through 2007 totalled approximately USD 19 billion in original principal balance.

UBS was not a significant originator of US residential loans. A branch of UBS originated approximately USD 1.5 billion in US residential mortgage loans during the period in which it was active from 2006 to 2008 and securitized less than half of these loans.

Lawsuits related to contractual representations and warranties concerning mortgages and RMBS: When UBS acted as an RMBS sponsor or mortgage seller, it generally made certain representations relating to the characteristics of the underlying loans. In the event of a material breach of these representations, UBS was in certain circumstances contractually obligated to repurchase the loans to which the representations related or to indemnify certain parties against losses. In 2012, certain RMBS trusts filed an action in the US District Court for the Southern District of New York seeking to enforce UBS RESI's obligation to repurchase loans in the collateral pools for three RMBS securitizations issued and underwritten by UBS with an original principal balance of approximately USD 2 billion. In July 2018, UBS and the trustee entered into an agreement under which UBS will pay USD 850 million to resolve this matter. A significant portion of this amount will be borne by other parties that indemnified UBS. In January 2020 the settlement was approved by the court. Proceedings to determine how the settlement funds will be distributed to RMBS holders are ongoing. After giving effect to this settlement, UBS considers claims relating to substantially all loan repurchase demands to be resolved and believes that new demands to repurchase US residential mortgage loans are time-barred under a decision rendered by the New York Court of Appeals.

Mortgage-related regulatory matters: Since 2014, the US Attorney's Office for the Eastern District of New York has sought information from UBS pursuant to the Financial Institutions Reform, Recovery and Enforcement Act of 1989 ("FIRREA"), related to UBS's RMBS business from 2005 through 2007. On 8 November 2018, the DOJ filed a civil complaint in the District Court for the Eastern District of New York. The complaint seeks unspecified civil monetary penalties under FIRREA related to UBS's issuance, underwriting and sale of 40 RMBS transactions in 2006 and 2007. UBS moved to dismiss the civil complaint on 6 February 2019. On 10 December 2019 the district court denied UBS's motion to dismiss.

UBS's balance sheet at 31 December 2019 reflected a provision with respect to matters described in this item 2 in an amount that UBS believes to be appropriate under the applicable accounting standard. As in the case of other matters for which UBS has established provisions, the future outflow of resources in respect of this matter cannot be determined with certainty based on currently available information and accordingly may ultimately prove to be substantially greater (or may be less) than the provision that UBS has recognized.

#### 12.3 Madoff

In relation to the Bernard L. Madoff Investment Securities LLC ("BMIS") investment fraud, UBS AG, UBS (Luxembourg) S.A. (now UBS Europe SE, Luxembourg branch) and certain other UBS subsidiaries have been subject to inquiries by a number of regulators, including FINMA and the Luxembourg Commission de Surveillance du Secteur Financier. Those inquiries concerned two third-party funds established under Luxembourg law, substantially all assets of which were with BMIS, as well as certain funds established in offshore jurisdictions with either direct or indirect exposure to BMIS. These funds faced severe losses, and the Luxembourg funds are in liquidation. The documentation

establishing both funds identifies UBS entities in various roles, including custodian, administrator, manager, distributor and promoter, and indicates that UBS employees serve as board members.

In 2009 and 2010, the liquidators of the two Luxembourg funds filed claims against UBS entities, non-UBS entities and certain individuals, including current and former UBS employees, seeking amounts totalling approximately EUR 2.1 billion, which includes amounts that the funds may be held liable to pay the trustee for the liquidation of BMIS ("BMIS Trustee").

A large number of alleged beneficiaries have filed claims against UBS entities (and non-UBS entities) for purported losses relating to the Madoff fraud. The majority of these cases have been filed in Luxembourg, where decisions that the claims in eight test cases were inadmissible have been affirmed by the Luxembourg Court of Appeal, and the Luxembourg Supreme Court has dismissed a further appeal in one of the test cases.

In the US, the BMIS Trustee filed claims against UBS entities, among others, in relation to the two Luxembourg funds and one of the offshore funds. The total amount claimed against all defendants in these actions was not less than USD 2 billion. In 2014, the US Supreme Court rejected the BMIS Trustee's motion for leave to appeal decisions dismissing all claims except those for the recovery of approximately USD 125 million of payments alleged to be fraudulent conveyances and preference payments. In 2016, the bankruptcy court dismissed these claims against the UBS entities. In February 2019, the Court of Appeals reversed the dismissal of the BMIS Trustee's remaining claims. In August 2019, the defendants, including UBS, filed a petition to the US Supreme Court requesting that it review the Court of Appeals' decision. The bankruptcy proceedings have been stayed pending a decision with respect to the defendants' petition.

### 12.4 Puerto Rico

Declines since 2013 in the market prices of Puerto Rico municipal bonds and of closed-end funds ("funds") that are sole-managed and co-managed by UBS Trust Company of Puerto Rico and distributed by UBS Financial Services Incorporated of Puerto Rico ("UBS PR") have led to multiple regulatory inquiries, as well as customer complaints and arbitrations with aggregate claimed damages of USD 3.4 billion, of which claims with aggregate claimed damages of USD 2.4 billion have been resolved through settlements, arbitration or withdrawal of the claim. The claims have been filed by clients in Puerto Rico who own the funds or Puerto Rico municipal bonds and / or who used their UBS account assets as collateral for UBS non-purpose loans; customer complaint and arbitration allegations include fraud, misrepresentation and unsuitability of the funds and of the loans.

A shareholder derivative action was filed in 2014 against various UBS entities and current and certain former directors of the funds, alleging hundreds of millions of US dollars in losses in the funds. In 2015, defendants' motion to dismiss was denied and a request for permission to appeal that ruling was denied by the Puerto Rico Supreme Court. In 2014, a federal class action complaint also was filed against various UBS entities, certain members of UBS PR senior management and the comanager of certain of the funds, seeking damages for investor losses in the funds during the period from May 2008 through May 2014. Following denial of the plaintiffs' motion for class certification, the case was dismissed in October 2018.

In 2014 and 2015, UBS entered into settlements with the Office of the Commissioner of Financial Institutions for the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, the US Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) and the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority in relation to their examinations of UBS's operations.

In 2011, a purported derivative action was filed on behalf of the Employee Retirement System of the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico ("System") against over 40 defendants, including UBS PR, which was named in connection with its underwriting and consulting services. Plaintiffs alleged that defendants violated their purported fiduciary duties and contractual obligations in connection with the issuance and underwriting of USD 3 billion of bonds by the System in 2008 and sought damages of over USD 800 million. In 2016, the court granted the System's request to join the action as a plaintiff, but ordered that plaintiffs must file an amended complaint. In 2017, the court denied defendants' motion to dismiss the amended complaint.

Beginning in 2015, and continuing through 2017, certain agencies and public corporations of the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico ("Commonwealth") defaulted on certain interest payments on Puerto Rico bonds. In 2016, US federal legislation created an oversight board with power to oversee Puerto Rico's finances and to restructure its debt. The oversight board has imposed a stay on the exercise of certain creditors' rights. In 2017, the oversight board placed certain of the bonds into a bankruptcy-like proceeding under the supervision of a Federal District Judge. These events, further defaults or any further legislative action to create a legal means of restructuring Commonwealth obligations or to impose additional oversight on the Commonwealth's finances, or any restructuring of the Commonwealth's obligations, may increase the number of claims against UBS concerning Puerto Rico securities, as well as potential damages sought.

In May 2019, the oversight board filed complaints in Puerto Rico federal district court bringing claims against financial, legal and accounting firms that had participated in Puerto Rico municipal bond offerings, including UBS, seeking a return of underwriting and swap fees paid in connection with those offerings. UBS estimates that it received approximately USD 125 million in fees in the relevant offerings.

In August 2019 and February 2020, three US insurance companies that insured issues of Puerto Rico municipal bonds sued UBS and seven other underwriters of Puerto Rico municipal bonds. The two actions seek recovery of an aggregate of USD 955 million in damages from the defendants. The plaintiffs in these cases claim that defendants failed to reasonably investigate financial statements in the offering materials for the insured Puerto Rico bonds issued between 2002 and 2007, which plaintiffs argue they relied upon in agreeing to insure the bonds notwithstanding that they had no contractual relationship with the underwriters.

UBS's balance sheet at 31 December 2019 reflected provisions with respect to matters described in this item 4 in amounts that UBS believes to be appropriate under the applicable accounting standard. As in the case of other matters for which UBS has established provisions, the future outflow of resources in respect of such matters cannot be determined with certainty based on currently available information and accordingly may ultimately prove to be substantially greater (or may be less) than the provisions that UBS has recognized.

### 12.5 Foreign exchange, LIBOR and benchmark rates, and other trading practices

Foreign exchange-related regulatory matters: Beginning in 2013, numerous authorities commenced investigations concerning possible manipulation of foreign exchange markets and precious metals prices. In 2014 and 2015, UBS reached settlements with the UK Financial Conduct Authority ("FCA") and the US Commodity Futures Trading Commission ("CFTC") in connection with their foreign exchange investigations, FINMA issued an order concluding its formal proceedings relating to UBS's foreign exchange and precious metals businesses, and the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System (Federal Reserve Board) and the Connecticut Department of Banking issued a Cease and Desist Order and assessed monetary penalties against UBS AG. In 2015, the DOJ's Criminal Division terminated the 2012 non-prosecution agreement with UBS AG related to UBS's submissions of benchmark interest rates, and UBS AG pleaded guilty to one count of wire fraud, paid a fine and was subject to probation, which ended in early January 2020. In 2019 the European Commission announced two decisions with respect to foreign exchange trading. UBS was granted immunity by the European Commission in these matters and therefore was not fined. UBS has ongoing obligations to cooperate with these authorities and to undertake certain remediation measures. UBS has also been granted conditional immunity by the Antitrust Division of the DOJ and by authorities in other jurisdictions in connection with potential competition law violations relating to foreign exchange and precious metals businesses. Investigations relating to foreign exchange matters by certain authorities remain ongoing notwithstanding these resolutions.

Foreign exchange-related civil litigation: Putative class actions have been filed since 2013 in US federal courts and in other jurisdictions against UBS and other banks on behalf of putative classes of persons who engaged in foreign currency transactions with any of the defendant banks. UBS has resolved US federal court class actions relating to foreign currency transactions with the defendant banks and persons who transacted in foreign exchange futures contracts and options on such futures under a settlement agreement that provides for UBS to pay an aggregate of USD 141 million and provide cooperation to the settlement classes. Certain class members have excluded themselves

from that settlement and have filed individual actions in US and English courts against UBS and other banks, alleging violations of US and European competition laws and unjust enrichment.

In 2015, a putative class action was filed in federal court against UBS and numerous other banks on behalf of persons and businesses in the US who directly purchased foreign currency from the defendants and alleged co-conspirators for their own end use. In March 2017, the court granted UBS's (and the other banks') motions to dismiss the complaint. The plaintiffs filed an amended complaint in August 2017. In March 2018, the court denied the defendants' motions to dismiss the amended complaint.

In 2017, two putative class actions were filed in federal court in New York against UBS and numerous other banks on behalf of persons and entities who had indirectly purchased foreign exchange instruments from a defendant or co-conspirator in the US, and a consolidated complaint was filed in June 2017. In March 2018, the court dismissed the consolidated complaint. In October 2018, the court granted plaintiffs' motion seeking leave to file an amended complaint. In January 2020, UBS and 11 other banks agreed in principle with the plaintiffs to settle the class action for a total of USD 10 million. The settlement is subject to final documentation and court approval.

LIBOR and other benchmark-related regulatory matters: Numerous government agencies, including the SEC, the CFTC, the DOJ, the FCA, the UK Serious Fraud Office, the Monetary Authority of Singapore, the Hong Kong Monetary Authority, FINMA, various state attorneys general in the US and competition authorities in various jurisdictions, have conducted investigations regarding potential improper attempts by UBS, among others, to manipulate LIBOR and other benchmark rates at certain times. UBS reached settlements or otherwise concluded investigations relating to benchmark interest rates with the investigating authorities. UBS has ongoing obligations to cooperate with the authorities with whom UBS has reached resolutions and to undertake certain remediation measures with respect to benchmark interest rate submissions. UBS has been granted conditional leniency or conditional immunity from authorities in certain jurisdictions, including the Antitrust Division of the DOJ and the Swiss Competition Commission ("WEKO"), in connection with potential antitrust or competition law violations related to certain rates. However, UBS has not reached a final settlement with WEKO, as the Secretariat of WEKO has asserted that UBS does not qualify for full immunity.

LIBOR and other benchmark-related civil litigation: A number of putative class actions and other actions are pending in the federal courts in New York against UBS and numerous other banks on behalf of parties who transacted in certain interest rate benchmark-based derivatives. Also pending in the US and in other jurisdictions are a number of other actions asserting losses related to various products whose interest rates were linked to LIBOR and other benchmarks, including adjustable rate mortgages, preferred and debt securities, bonds pledged as collateral, loans, depository accounts, investments and other interest-bearing instruments. The complaints allege manipulation, through various means, of certain benchmark interest rates, including USD LIBOR, Euroyen TIBOR, Yen LIBOR, EURIBOR, CHF LIBOR, GBP LIBOR, SGD SIBOR and SOR and Australian BBSW, and seek unspecified compensatory and other damages under varying legal theories.

USD LIBOR class and individual actions in the US: In 2013 and 2015, the district court in the USD LIBOR actions dismissed, in whole or in part, certain plaintiffs' antitrust claims, federal racketeering claims, CEA claims, and state common law claims. Although the Second Circuit vacated the district court's judgment dismissing antitrust claims, the district court again dismissed antitrust claims against UBS in 2016. Certain plaintiffs have appealed that decision to the Second Circuit. Separately, in 2018, the Second Circuit reversed in part the district court's 2015 decision dismissing certain individual plaintiffs' claims and certain of these actions are now proceeding. UBS entered into an agreement in 2016 with representatives of a class of bondholders to settle their USD LIBOR class action. The agreement has received preliminary court approval and remains subject to final approval. In 2018, the district court denied plaintiffs' motions for class certification in the USD class actions for claims pending against UBS, and plaintiffs sought permission to appeal that ruling to the Second Circuit. In July 2018, the Second Circuit denied the petition to appeal of the class of USD lenders and in November 2018 denied the petition of the USD exchange class. In December 2019, UBS entered into an agreement with representatives of the class of USD lenders to settle their USD LIBOR class action. The agreement has received preliminary court approval and remains subject to final approval. In January 2019, a putative class action was filed in the District Court for the Southern District of New York against UBS and numerous other banks on behalf of US residents who, since 1 February 2014, directly transacted with a defendant bank in USD LIBOR instruments. The complaint asserts antitrust claims. The defendants moved to dismiss the complaint in 2019.

Other benchmark class actions in the US: In 2014, the court in one of the Euroyen TIBOR lawsuits dismissed certain of the plaintiffs' claims, including a federal antitrust claim, for lack of standing. In 2015, this court dismissed the plaintiffs' federal racketeering claims on the same basis and affirmed its previous dismissal of the plaintiffs' antitrust claims against UBS. In 2017, this court also dismissed the other Yen LIBOR / Euroyen TIBOR action in its entirety on standing grounds, as did the court in the CHF LIBOR action. Also in 2017, the court in the EURIBOR lawsuit dismissed the case as to UBS and certain other foreign defendants for lack of personal jurisdiction. Plaintiffs in the other Yen LIBOR, Euroyen TIBOR and the EURIBOR actions have appealed the dismissals. In October 2018, the court in the SIBOR / SOR action dismissed all but one of plaintiffs' claims against UBS. Plaintiffs in the CHF LIBOR and SIBOR / SOR actions filed amended complaints following the dismissals, and the courts granted renewed motions to dismiss in July 2019 (SIBOR / SOR) and in September 2019 (CHF LIBOR). Plaintiffs in the both actions have appealed. In November 2018, the court in the BBSW lawsuit dismissed the case as to UBS and certain other foreign defendants for lack of personal jurisdiction. Following that dismissal, plaintiffs in the BBSW action filed an amended complaint in April 2019, which UBS and other defendants named in the amended complaint have moved to dismiss. In February 2020, the court in the BBSW action granted in part and denied in part defendants motions to dismiss the amended complaint. The court dismissed the GBP LIBOR action in August 2019, and plaintiffs appealed the dismissal in September 2019.

Government bonds: Putative class actions have been filed since 2015 in US federal courts against UBS and other banks on behalf of persons who participated in markets for US Treasury securities since 2007. A consolidated complaint was filed in 2017 in the US District Court for the Southern District of New York alleging that the banks colluded with respect to, and manipulated prices of, US Treasury securities sold at auction and in the secondary market and asserting claims under the antitrust laws and for unjust enrichment. Defendants' motions to dismiss the consolidated complaint are pending. Similar class actions have been filed concerning European government bonds and other government bonds. UBS and reportedly other banks are responding to investigations and requests for information from various authorities regarding US Treasury securities and other government bond trading practices. As a result of its review to date, UBS has taken appropriate action.

Government sponsored entities ("GSE") bonds: Starting in February 2019, class action complaints were filed in the US District Court for the Southern District of New York against UBS and other banks on behalf of plaintiffs who traded GSE bonds. A consolidated complaint was filed alleging collusion in GSE bond trading between 1 January 2009 and 1 January 2016. In December 2019, UBS and eleven other defendants agreed to settle the class action for a total of USD 250 million. The settlement is subject to court approval.

With respect to additional matters and jurisdictions not encompassed by the settlements and orders referred to above, UBS's balance sheet at 31 December 2019 reflected a provision in an amount that UBS believes to be appropriate under the applicable accounting standard. As in the case of other matters for which UBS has established provisions, the future outflow of resources in respect of such matters cannot be determined with certainty based on currently available information and accordingly may ultimately prove to be substantially greater (or may be less) than the provision that UBS has recognized.

### **12.6 Swiss retrocessions**

The Federal Supreme Court of Switzerland ruled in 2012, in a test case against UBS, that distribution fees paid to a firm for distributing third-party and intra-group investment funds and structured products must be disclosed and surrendered to clients who have entered into a discretionary mandate agreement with the firm, absent a valid waiver.

FINMA has issued a supervisory note to all Swiss banks in response to the Supreme Court decision. UBS has met the FINMA requirements and has notified all potentially affected clients.

The Supreme Court decision has resulted, and may continue to result, in a number of client requests for UBS to disclose and potentially surrender retrocessions. Client requests are assessed on a case-by-

case basis. Considerations taken into account when assessing these cases include, among other things, the existence of a discretionary mandate and whether or not the client documentation contained a valid waiver with respect to distribution fees.

UBS's balance sheet at 31 December 2019 reflected a provision with respect to matters described in this item 6 in an amount that UBS believes to be appropriate under the applicable accounting standard. The ultimate exposure will depend on client requests and the resolution thereof, factors that are difficult to predict and assess. Hence, as in the case of other matters for which UBS has established provisions, the future outflow of resources in respect of such matters cannot be determined with certainty based on currently available information and accordingly may ultimately prove to be substantially greater (or may be less) than the provision that UBS has recognized.

### 12.7 Securities transaction pricing and disclosure

UBS identified and reported to the relevant authorities instances in which some Global Wealth Management clients booked in Hong Kong and Singapore may have been charged inappropriate spreads on debt securities transactions between 2008 and 2015. In November 2019, UBS AG entered into a settlement with the Hong Kong Securities and Futures Commission ("SFC") under which it was reprimanded and fined HKD 400 million (USD 51 million) and a settlement with the Monetary Authority of Singapore (MAS) under which it was fined SGD 11 million (USD 8.3 million). In addition, UBS has commenced reimbursing affected customers an aggregate amount equivalent to USD 47 million, including interest.

UBS's balance sheet at 31 December 2019 reflected a provision with respect to the matter described in this item 7 in an amount that UBS believes to be appropriate under the applicable accounting standard.

The specific litigation, regulatory and other matters described above under items (1) to (7) include all such matters that management considers to be material and others that management believes to be of significance due to potential financial, reputational and other effects as described in the section "Provisions and contingent liabilities" of the UBS Group AG's interim consolidated financial statements included in the Annual Report 2019. The proceedings indicated below are matters that have recently been considered material, but are not currently considered material, by UBS. Besides the proceedings (including any such proceedings which are pending or threatened, of which UBS AG is aware) that may have, or have had in the recent past, significant effects on UBS AG Group's and/or UBS AG's financial position or profitability and are or have been pending during the last twelve months until the date of this document. "

# In the section headed "13. Additional Information" (page 48 of the Registration Document) the following sentence shall be added at the end of the the subsection "13.2 Dividends":

"For the financial year ended on 31 December 2019, the BoD proposes for shareholders` approval on ordinary dividend distribution of USD 3.848 million capped at CHF 7.696 million."

## 2. Update of the Appendix 1 of the Registration Document

## The "APPENDIX 1 - INFORMATION FOR THE PURPOSES OF ART. 26 (4) OF THE REGULATION (EU) 2017/1129" shall be completely replaced as follows:

	Key information on the issuer							
Who is the issuer of the securities?								
<b>Domicile and legal form of the issuer</b> UBS AG is incorporated and domiciled in Switzerland and ope as an Aktiengesellschaft, a corporation limited by shares. UB BFM8T61CT2L1QCEMIK50.								
<b>Principal activities of the issuer</b> The purpose of UBS AG is the operation of a bank. Its sco banking, financial, advisory, trading and service activities in Sw and invest money on the capital markets. It may provide loans and security for group companies.	itzerland and abro	ad. UBS AG	may borro					
<b>Major shareholders of the issuer</b> UBS Group AG owns 100% of the outstanding shares of UBS A	AG.							
<b>Identity of the key managing directors of the issuer</b> The key managing directors of the issuer are the members of Sergio P. Ermotti, Christian Bluhm, Markus U. Diethelm, Kir Sabine Keller-Busse, Iqbal Khan, Edmund Koh, Tom Naratil, Pier	t Gardner, Suni H	larford, Rob	ert Karofsky					
<b>Identity of the statutory auditors of the issuer</b> The statutory auditors of the issuer are Ernst & Young Ltd, Aeso	chengraben 9, CH	-4002 Basel.						
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Net profit / (loss) attributable to shareholders	3,965	4,107	758
Balance sheet <sup>2</sup>			
Total assets	971,916	958,055	940,020
Total financial liabilities measured at amortized cost	617,429	612,174	660,498
of which: customer deposits	450,591	421,986	423,058
of which: debt issued measured at amortized cost	62,835	91,245	107,458
of which: subordinated debt	7,431	7,511	9,217
Total financial liabilities measured at fair value through profit or loss	291,452	283,717	217,814
of which: debt issued designated at fair value	66,592	57,031	50,782
Loans and advances to customers	327,992	321,482	328,952
Total equity	53,928	52,432	52,046
Equity attributable to shareholders	53,754	52,256	51,987
Profitability and growth	i i	i	
Return on equity (%) <sup>3</sup>	7.4*	7.9*	1.4*
Return on tangible equity (%)	8.5*	9.1*	1.6*
Return on common equity tier 1 capital (%)	11.3*	11.9*	2.3*
Return on risk-weighted assets, gross (%)	11.2*	12.0*	12.8*
Return on leverage ratio denominator, gross (%)	3.2*	3.4*	3.4*
Cost / income ratio (%)	82.1*	81.9*	82.7*
Net profit growth (%)	(3.4)*	441.9*	(77.4)*
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Common equity tier 1 capital <sup>3,4</sup>	35,280	34,608	34,100*
Risk-weighted assets <sup>3</sup>	257,831*	262,840*	242,725*
Common equity tier 1 capital ratio (%) <sup>3</sup>	13.7*	13.2*	14.0*
Going concern capital ratio (%) <sup>3</sup>	18.3*	16.1*	15.6*
Total loss-absorbing capacity ratio (%) <sup>3</sup>	33.9*	31.3*	31.4*
Leverage ratio denominator <sup>3</sup>	911,232*	904,458*	910,133*
Common equity tier 1 leverage ratio (%) <sup>3</sup>	3.87*	3.83*	3.75*
Going concern leverage ratio (%) <sup>3</sup>	5.2*	4.7*	4.2*
Total loss-absorbing capacity leverage ratio (%) <sup>3</sup>	9.6*	9.1*	8.4*
Other	: :	i	
Invested assets (USD billion) 5	3,607	3,101	3,262
Personnel (full-time equivalents)	47,005*	47,643*	46,009*

\* unaudited

<sup>1</sup> Effective 1 January 2019, UBS AG refined the presentation of dividend income and expense. This resulted in a reclassification of dividends from *Interest income (expense) from financial instruments measured at fair value through profit or loss* into Other net income from financial instruments measured at fair value through profit or 1 January 2019: Other net income from fair value changes on financial instruments). Net Interest Income and Other net income from financial instruments measured at fair value through profit or loss for prior-year comparative was restated accordingly.

<sup>2</sup>Balance sheet information for year ended 31 December 2017 is derived from the Annual Report 2018.

<sup>3</sup> Based on the Swiss systemically relevant bank framework as of 1 January 2020.

<sup>4</sup> The information as published in Swiss francs in the Annual Report 2017 for the period ended on 31 December 2017 (CHF 33,240 million) was audited.

<sup>5</sup> Includes invested assets for Global Wealth Management, Asset Management and Personal & Corporate Banking. Calculated as the sum of managed fund assets, managed institutional assets, discretionary and advisory wealth management portfolios, fiduciary deposits, time deposits, savings accounts, and wealth management securities or brokerage accounts. This measure provides information about the volume of client assets managed by or deposited with UBS for investment purposes.

### What are the key risks that are specific to the issuer?

Credit risk in relation to UBS AG as issuer

Each investor in securities issued by UBS AG as Issuer is exposed to the credit risk of UBS AG. The assessment of UBS AG's creditworthiness may be affected by a number of factors and developments. These include changes in market and macroeconomic conditions, credit risk exposure to clients and counterparties, results of claims, disputes, legal proceedings and government investigations, availability of funding sources, changes in the laws and regulations affecting financial institutions, heightened regulatory expectations and regulatory changes, and reputational damage and operational risks.

If UBS experiences financial difficulties, FINMA has the power to open restructuring or liquidation proceedings or impose protective measures in relation to UBS Group AG, UBS AG or UBS Switzerland AG, and such proceedings or measures may have a material adverse effect on UBS's shareholders and creditors.

If restructuring or liquidation proceedings are instituted against UBS AG, holders of securities may suffer a substantial or total loss on the securities.

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## Availability of Documents

The Registration Document dated 21 November 2019,

The Securities Note dated 26 February 2020, and

and all supplements thereto, if any, shall be maintained in printed format, for free distribution, at the offices of the Issuer for a period of twelve months after the publication of this document and are published on the website <u>https://keyinvest-de.ubs.com/rechtliche-dokumentation</u>.

In addition, the annual and quarterly financial reports of UBS AG and UBS Group AG are published on UBS's website, at <u>https://www.ubs.com/global/en/investor-relations.html</u> or any successor address notified by the Issuer to the Securityholders for this purpose by way of publication on http://keyinvest-de.ubs.com/bekanntmachungen.