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“Achmea Bank becomes 95th Covered Bond Labelled issuer, Label continues to cover 100% of Dutch market”

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The **Covered Bond Label Foundation (CBLF)** is pleased to announce that [Achmea Bank](#) of the Netherlands has joined the Covered Bond Label, becoming the 95th issuer to hold the Label. To date, the [Covered Bond Label](#) has been granted to a total of 112 cover pools, belonging to issuers from 16 jurisdictions globally.

Commenting on this latest addition to the Label, **Luca Bertalot, Covered Bond Label Foundation Administrator**, said:

“We welcome Achmea Bank to the Covered Bond Label family as it makes a strong comeback to the market. The fact that the Covered Bond Label continues to hold a 100% coverage of the Dutch market confirms the commitment of core covered bond market participants to transparency by implementing the Harmonised Transparency Template (HTT).”

To recap, the Covered Bond Label is a quality label, the purpose of which is to highlight the security and quality of covered bonds to investors and to further enhance recognition of and trust in the covered bond asset class.

The Covered Bond Label is open to all covered bond programmes that are compliant with [the Covered Bond Label Convention](#) and disclose their data by publishing the Harmonised Transparency Template (HTT). More information on all labelled issuers and the Label itself can be found on the Covered Bond Label website at www.coveredbondlabel.com.

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Notes to the Editor:

1. The **Covered Bond Label Foundation (CBLF)** was established in 2012 by the European Mortgage Federation – European Covered Bond Council ([EMF-ECBC](#)). The Covered Bond Label [website](#) became fully operational on the 1st of January 2013, with the first Labels being effective since then. The website features the Harmonised Transparency Template (HTT) and 14 National Transparency Templates, published by 95 issuers disclosing information on 112 labelled cover pools across 16 jurisdictions. The Covered Bond Label website currently provides issuance data on 4,800 covered bonds, amounting to a total face value of over 1.5 trillion EUR, out of which over 2,500 covered bonds already include information on the Liquidity Coverage Requirement (LCR).
2. Established in 1967, the **European Mortgage Federation (EMF)** is the voice of the European mortgage industry, representing the interests of mortgage lenders and covered bond issuers at European level. The EMF provides data and information on European mortgage markets, which were worth around 7 trillion EUR at the end of 2016. As of November 2017, the EMF has 17 members across 14 EU Member States as well as a number of observer members.
3. In 2004 the EMF founded the **European Covered Bond Council (ECBC)**, a platform bringing together covered bond issuers, analysts, investment bankers, rating agencies and a wide range of interested stakeholders. As of November 2017, the ECBC has 116 members across more than 30 active covered bond jurisdictions and many



different market segments. ECBC members represent over 95% of covered bonds outstanding, which were worth nearly EUR 2.5 tn at the end of 2016.

4. For the latest updates from the EMF-ECBC, follow us on [Twitter](#), [LinkedIn](#) and [YouTube](#) or visit the EMF-ECBC [website](#).