



PRESS RELEASE

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TOM welcomes ABN AMRO as new shareholder

TOM, the order machine, announces that ABN AMRO Clearing Bank N.V. (ABN AMRO) will acquire a 25% stake in the share capital of TOM. The transaction is subject to the approval of relevant supervisory authorities.

In effect of the transaction ABN AMRO will acquire a 25% stake in TOM. Currently acting as the clearing party for transactions carried out through TOM, ABN AMRO may also opt to route its order flow of equities and derivatives via TOM. In addition to Optiver and BinckBank, who currently represent TOM's supervisory board, ABN AMRO may also appoint a member.

Willem Meijer, CEO of TOM: *"It has always been our intention to give third parties access to TOM, both as a member and/or as a shareholder. I am delighted that ABN AMRO will join TOM as a shareholder as it reflects their confidence in TOM's future. I believe this confidence, also to be an important signal in the market."*

TOM expects to start trading Dutch equities on TOM MTF in the near future. At present, the request to extend its MTF-license in the area of derivatives is under consideration with the supervisory authorities. In the meantime, TOM is actively talking to other market players including banks, brokers and market makers.

Once TOM MTF is fully operational trading Dutch equities, EMCF; Europe's largest cash equities clearing company, will act as central counterparty (CCP), guaranteeing delivery and payment of equity trades.

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About the TOM group

TOM is an initiative of BinckBank and Optiver, enabling "best execution" of retail transactions for its clients - as required by MiFID. Simultaneously, TOM contributes to the MiFID requirement regarding competition between trading platforms such as exchanges and MTF's. This ultimately results in improved execution prices for investors as well as lower transaction costs.

TOM encompasses a cost efficient, transparent and open MTF (TOM MTF) and a "search engine", tracking the best execution prices on the various exchanges and marketplaces (TOM Smart Execution). For retail clients of member banks, TOM Smart Execution searches various MTF's and exchanges, including TOM's own MTF – TOM MTF, for the best prices at which a securities order can be executed.