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Deutsche Bank AG Launches Offering of Cash-Settled Equity Linked Notes Linked to the Common Stock of Voya Financial, Inc. due May 1, 2023

Deutsche Bank AG, London Branch (the "**Issuer**") today announces the launch of a public offering of its Cash-Settled Equity Linked Notes Linked to the Common Stock of Voya Financial, Inc. due May 1, 2023 (the "**Notes**").

The Notes are expected to pay interest semi-annually in arrears. The Notes cannot be exchanged or redeemed early and will be cash-settled at maturity. The amount of cash payable on the Notes at maturity will be based on the volume-weighted average price of the common stock of Voya Financial, Inc.

The Notes will be issued with a minimum purchase of \$100,000 and in minimum denominations of \$1,000 and integral multiples of \$1,000 in excess thereof at an issue price of 100% of the face amount of the Notes. Settlement and delivery of the Notes is expected to take place on March 13, 2018.

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Deutsche Bank AG has filed a registration statement (including a prospectus) with the Securities and Exchange Commission for the offering of the Notes. Before you invest, you should read the prospectus in that registration statement and the other documents relating to the offering of the Notes that Deutsche Bank AG has filed with the SEC for more complete information about Deutsche Bank AG and the offering of the Notes. You may obtain these documents without cost by visiting EDGAR on the SEC website at www.sec.gov. Alternatively, Deutsche Bank AG or DBSI will arrange to send you the prospectus, prospectus supplement and the preliminary pricing supplement if you so request by calling toll-free 1-800-503-4611.

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By their very nature, forward-looking statements involve risks and uncertainties. A number of important factors could therefore cause actual results to differ materially from those contained in any forward-looking statement. Such factors include the conditions in the financial markets in Germany, in Europe, in the United States and elsewhere from which we derive a substantial portion of our revenues and in which we hold a substantial portion of our assets, the development of asset prices and market volatility, potential defaults of borrowers or trading counterparties, the implementation of our strategic initiatives, the reliability of our risk management policies, procedures and methods, and other risks referenced in our filings with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission. Such factors are described in detail in our SEC Form 20-F of 20 March 2017 under the heading "Risk Factors". Copies of this document are readily available upon request or can be downloaded from <u>www.db.com/ir</u>.

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