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## OPINION OF THE INDEPENDENT AUDITOR

### *To the General Shareholders' Meeting of ING Bank Śląski S.A.*

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of ING Bank Śląski S.A. seated in Katowice, ul. Sokolska 34 ("the Bank"), which comprise of the balance sheet as at 31 December 2007, with total assets and total liabilities and equity of PLN 51,826,426 thousand, the profit and loss account for the year then ended with a net profit of PLN 610,153 thousand, the statement of changes in equity for the year then ended with an increase in equity of PLN 53,480 thousand, the cash flow statement for the year then ended with a decrease in cash of PLN 3,336,808 thousand, and notes to the financial statements, comprising of a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory notes.

### *Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements*

Management of the Bank is responsible for the accuracy of the accounting records and the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards, as adopted by European Union and with other applicable regulations. This responsibility includes: designing, implementing and maintaining internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatements, whether due to fraud or error; selecting and applying appropriate accounting policies; and making accounting estimates that are reasonable in the circumstances.

### *Auditor's Responsibility*

Our responsibility, based on our audit, is to express an opinion on these financial statements, and whether the financial statements are derived from properly maintained accounting records. We conducted our audit in accordance with section 7 of the Accounting Act dated 29 September 1994 (Official Journal from 2002, No. 76, item 694 with amendments) ("the Accounting Act"), the professional standards established by the Polish National Council of Certified Auditors and International Standards on Auditing. Those standards require that we comply with relevant ethical requirements and plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements and the accounting records from which they are derived are free of material misstatements.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on our judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, we consider internal control relevant to the entity's preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting principles used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

### *Opinion*

In our opinion, the accompanying financial statements of ING Bank Śląski S.A. have been prepared and present fairly in all material respects the financial position of the Bank as at 31 December 2007 and the results of its operations and its cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards as adopted by the European Union, are in compliance with the respective regulations and the provisions of the Bank's Statute that apply to the Bank's financial statements and have been prepared from accounting records that in all material respects have been properly maintained.

*Other Matters*

As required under the Accounting Act we also report that the Report on the Bank's activities includes, in all material respects, the information required by Art. 49 of the Accounting Act and by the Decree of the Ministry of Finance dated 19 October 2005 on current and periodic information provided by issuers of securities (Official Journal from 2005, No 209, item 1744) and the information is consistent with the financial statements.

*Signed on the Polish original*

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Certified Auditor No. 796/1670  
Bogdan Dębicki;  
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Warsaw, 27 March 2008