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1. Introductory remark

BELSIPA, the association of issuers of structured products in Belgium publishes the second edition of its regular market report on the sale of Belgian retail structured products, covering as reporting periods the first half year of 2015 (January to June) with comparisons being made to data retrieved for the first and the second half year 2014.

The commercial entities submitting data to the report comprise all of BELSIPA's Full Members and a number of other important market participants. The full list of the entities submitting data can be taken from the Appendix to the report.

The reported categories are market turnover (primary market transactions), outstanding volume (retail customer assets invested, which equals "AuM"/"Assets under Management" for funds), the number of new products launched on the retail market and total number of products (meaning the total of non-matured products outstanding on the secondary retail market) within January to June 2015.

These data are compared in the overview pages on product categories and underlying's against the data of the preceding half year, meaning here for July to December 2014 (thereby indicating the changes within a year).

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2. Highlights

Market Turnover

In the first half of 2015 the primary market turnover of structured products sold in Belgium amounted to 3.75bn EUR, a decrease of 23% compared to the last six months of 2014 (4.89 bn EUR). Products with an equity-linked underlying accounted in the first half of the year for 3.0 bn EUR, which equals a decrease of 5%. Products with a fixed-income underlying accounted for 0.26 bn EUR which is a decrease of 82% compared to the second half of 2014.

Outstanding Volume

At the end of June 2015 the outstanding volume in Structured Products held in products issued by the data-submitting entities was 36.52 bn EUR, which is a moderate decrease of 5% compared to the last six months 2014. The volume in Structured Insurance Products was 8% lower than in the last six months of 2014. Compared to the previous six months products with a fixed-income underlying decreased volume-wise by 7%.

Number of New Products

Compared to the last six months of 2014 the number of new structured products issued in Belgium increased by 55% to 1'691 products. A total of number of 2'783 new products were issued in the last 12 months. While 89% of all new products were issued in the leveraged products segment, investment products accounted for 11%. For leverage products the number of new products increased greatly by 85% on a term-to-term basis. Measured on the basis of underlying type the equity-linked product number rose by 59% with the amount of new fixed-income products decreasing by 25% compared to the last six months of 2014.

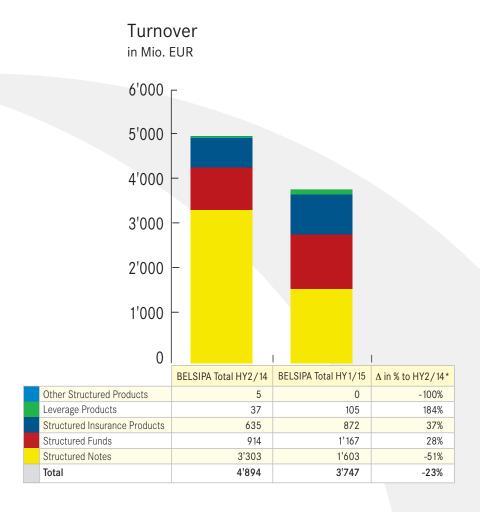
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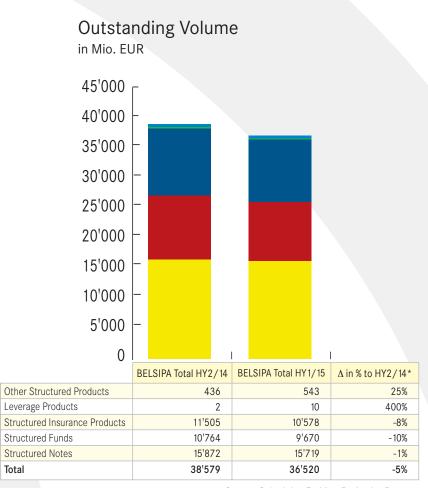
At the end of June 2015 a total of 4'137 products were open/non-matured on the BELSIPA market. This is an increase of 6% compared to the second half of 2014 (3'898). Leverage products saw an increase of 52% compared to the second half of 2014. Measured by underlying types, the equity-linked underlying products accounted for an increase of 10% and the fixed-income linked products decreased by 1%.

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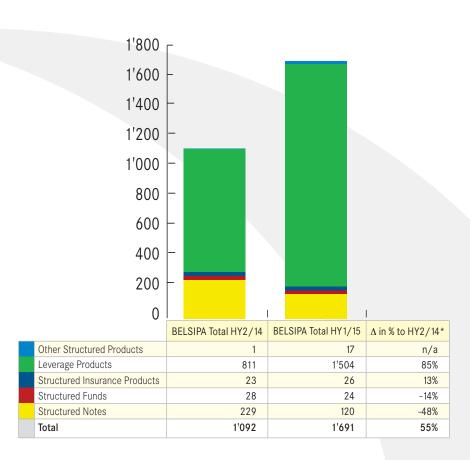
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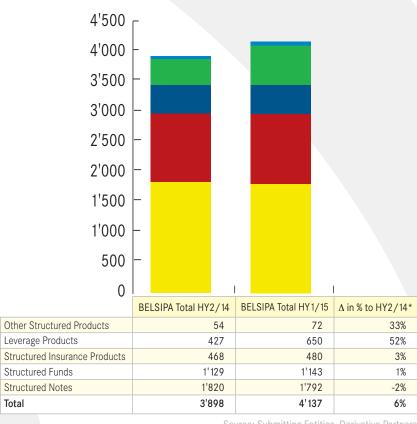


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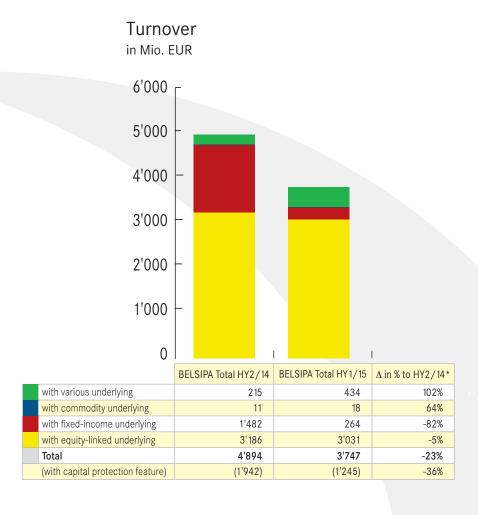
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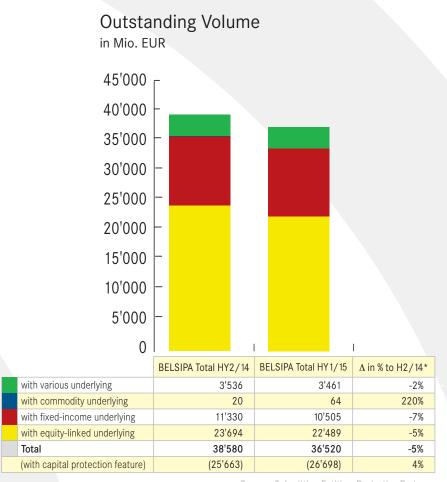
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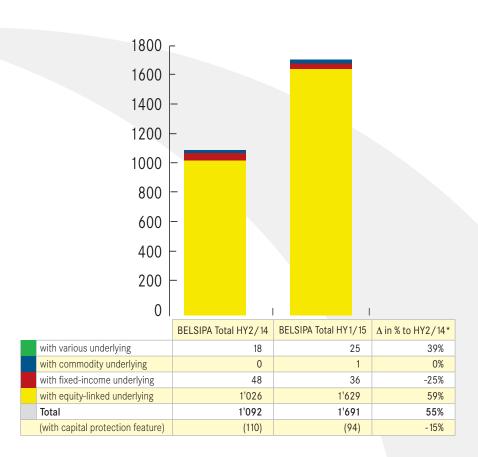
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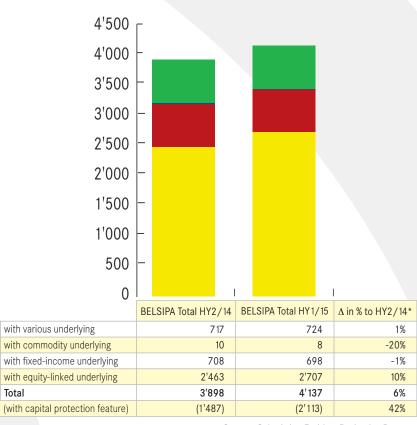


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7. Appendix



Data sources

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