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\$•Deutsche Bank AG Trigger Autocallable Optimization Securities

Linked to the Russell 2000® Index due on or about March 31, 2017

# **Investment Description**

Trigger Autocallable Optimization Securities (the "Securities") are unsubordinated and unsecured obligations of Deutsche Bank AG, London Branch (the "Issuer") with returns linked to the performance of the Russell 2000® Index (the "Index"). The Securities are designed for investors who want to express a moderately bullish view on the Index. If the closing level of the Index is greater than or equal to the Initial Index Level on any quarterly Observation Date (including the Final Valuation Date), Deutsche Bank AG will automatically call the Securities and, for each \$10.00 Face Amount of Securities, pay you a Call Price equal to the Face Amount plus a Call Return based on the Call Return Rate specified below. The Call Return increases the longer the Securities are outstanding. If the Securities are not automatically called and the Final Index Level is greater than or equal to the Trigger Level, Deutsche Bank AG will pay you at maturity the Face Amount per \$10.00 Face Amount of Securities. However, if the Securities are not automatically called and the Final Index Level is less than the Trigger Level, for each \$10.00 Face Amount of Securities, Deutsche Bank AG will pay you less than the Face Amount at maturity, resulting in a loss of 1.00% of the Face Amount for every 1.00% decline in the Final Index Level as compared to the Initial Index Level. In this circumstance, you will lose a significant portion or all of your initial investment. You will not receive any coupon payments during the term of the Securities. Investing in the Securities is subject to significant risks, including the risk of losing your entire investment. You will not receive dividends or other distributions paid on any stocks composing the Index. Generally, the higher the Call Return Rate on the Securities, the greater the risk of loss on such Securities. The contingent repayment of your initial investment applies only if you hold the Securities to maturity. Any payment on the Securities, including any payment upon an automatic call or any repayment of your initial investment at maturity, is subject to the creditworthiness of the Issuer. If the Issuer were to default on its payment obligations or become subject to a Resolution Measure (as described on page 2), you might not receive any amounts owed to you under the terms of the Securities and you could lose your entire investment.

#### Features

q Call Return — If the closing level of the Index is greater than or equal to the Initial Index Level on any quarterly Observation Date (including the Final Valuation Date), Deutsche Bank AG will automatically call the Securities and, for each \$10.00 Face Amount of Securities, pay you a Call Price equal to the Face Amount plus a Call Return based on the Call Return Rate specified below. The Call Return increases the longer the Securities are outstanding. If the Securities are not automatically called, investors may have full downside market exposure to the level of the Index at maturity.

q Downside Exposure with Contingent Repayment of Your Initial Investment at Maturity — If the Securities are not automatically called and the Final Index Level is greater than or equal to the Trigger Level, Deutsche Bank AG will pay you at maturity the Face Amount per \$10.00 Face Amount of

# Key Dates1

Trade Date March 27, 2015
Settlement Date March 31, 2015
Observation Dates2 Quarterly
Final Valuation Date2 March 27, 2017
Maturity Date2 March 31, 2017

1 Expected

2 See page 4 for additional details

Securities. However, if the Final Index Level is less than the Trigger Level, for each \$10.00 Face Amount of Securities, Deutsche Bank AG will pay you less than the Face Amount at maturity, resulting in a loss of 1.00% of the Face Amount for every 1.00% decline in the Final Index Level as compared to the Initial Index Level. In this circumstance, you will lose a significant portion or all of your initial investment. The contingent repayment of your initial investment applies only if you hold the Securities to maturity. Any payment on the Securities, including any payment upon an automatic call or any repayment of your initial investment at maturity, is subject to the creditworthiness of the Issuer. If the Issuer were to default on its payment obligations or become subject to a Resolution Measure, you could lose your entire investment.

NOTICE TO INVESTORS: THE SECURITIES ARE SIGNIFICANTLY RISKIER THAN CONVENTIONAL DEBT INSTRUMENTS. THE ISSUER IS NOT NECESSARILY OBLIGATED TO REPAY THE FULL FACE AMOUNT OF SECURITIES AT MATURITY, AND THE SECURITIES CAN HAVE DOWNSIDE MARKET RISK SIMILAR TO THE INDEX. THIS MARKET RISK IS IN ADDITION TO THE CREDIT RISK INHERENT IN PURCHASING AN OBLIGATION OF DEUTSCHE BANK AG. YOU SHOULD NOT PURCHASE THE SECURITIES IF YOU DO NOT UNDERSTAND OR ARE NOT COMFORTABLE WITH THE SIGNIFICANT RISKS INVOLVED IN INVESTING IN THE SECURITIES. THE SECURITIES WILL NOT BE LISTED ON ANY SECURITIES EXCHANGE.

YOU SHOULD CAREFULLY CONSIDER THE RISKS DESCRIBED UNDER "KEY RISKS" BEGINNING ON PAGE 5 OF THIS FREE WRITING PROSPECTUS, UNDER "RISK FACTORS" BEGINNING ON PAGE 8 OF THE ACCOMPANYING PRODUCT SUPPLEMENT AND UNDER "RISK FACTORS" BEGINNING ON PAGE 2 OF THE ACCOMPANYING PROSPECTUS ADDENDUM BEFORE PURCHASING ANY SECURITIES. EVENTS RELATING TO ANY OF THOSE RISKS, OR OTHER RISKS AND UNCERTAINTIES, COULD ADVERSELY AFFECT THE MARKET VALUE OF, AND THE RETURN ON, YOUR SECURITIES. YOU MAY LOSE A SIGNIFICANT PORTION OR ALL OF YOUR INITIAL INVESTMENT IN THE SECURITIES.

# **Security Offering**

We are offering Trigger Autocallable Optimization Securities linked to the performance of the Russell 2000® Index. The Securities are our unsubordinated and unsecured obligations and are offered at a minimum investment of \$1,000 in denominations of \$10.00 and integral multiples thereof. The Initial Index Level, Call Return Rate and Trigger Level will be determined on the Trade Date.

Index	Call Return Rate*	Initial Index Level	Trigger Level	CUSIP/ ISIN
Russell 2000® Index (Ticker:	7.00% - 8.60% per		80.00% of the	25190G432 /
RTY)	annum		Initial Index Level	US25190G4322

\* The Call Return increases the longer the Securities are outstanding, based on the per annum Call Return Rate. The potential Call Returns applicable to each Observation Date are set forth under "Indicative Terms — Call Price" in this free writing prospectus.

See "Additional Terms Specific to the Securities" in this free writing prospectus. The Securities will have the terms specified in underlying supplement No. 1 dated October 1, 2012, product supplement BG dated October 9, 2012, the prospectus supplement dated September 28, 2012 relating to our Series A global notes of which these Securities are a part, the prospectus dated September 28, 2012, the prospectus addendum dated December 24, 2014 and this free writing prospectus.

The Issuer's estimated value of the Securities on the Trade Date is approximately \$9.577 to \$9.777 per \$10.00 Face Amount of Securities, which is less than the Issue Price. Please see "Issuer's Estimated Value of the Securities" on the

following page of this free writing prospectus for additional information.

Neither the Securities and Exchange Commission nor any state securities commission has approved or disapproved of the Securities or passed upon the accuracy or the adequacy of this free writing prospectus or the accompanying underlying supplement No. 1, product supplement BG, prospectus supplement, prospectus or prospectus addendum. Any representation to the contrary is a criminal offense. The Securities are not bank deposits and are not insured or guaranteed by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation or any other governmental agency.

	Discounts and					
	Price to Public		Commissions(1)		Proceeds to Us	
		Per		Per		Per
Offering of Securities	Total	Security	Total	Security	Total	Security
Securities linked to the Russell 2000®						
Index	\$	\$10.00	\$	\$0.15	\$	\$9.85

<sup>(1)</sup> For more information about discounts and commissions, please see "Supplemental Plan of Distribution (Conflicts of Interest)" on the last page of this free writing prospectus.

Deutsche Bank Securities Inc. ("DBSI") is our affiliate. For more information see "Supplemental Plan of Distribution (Conflicts of Interest)" on the last page of this free writing prospectus.

UBS Financial Services Inc.

**Deutsche Bank Securities** 

#### Issuer's Estimated Value of the Securities

The Issuer's estimated value of the Securities is equal to the sum of our valuations of the following two components of the Securities: (i) a bond and (ii) an embedded derivative(s). The value of the bond component of the Securities is calculated based on the present value of the stream of cash payments associated with a conventional bond with a principal amount equal to the Face Amount of Securities, discounted at an internal funding rate, which is determined primarily based on our market-based yield curve, adjusted to account for our funding needs and objectives for the period matching the term of the Securities. The internal funding rate is typically lower than the rate we would pay when we issue conventional debt securities on equivalent terms. This difference in funding rate, as well as the agent's commissions, if any, and the estimated cost of hedging our obligations under the Securities, reduces the economic terms of the Securities to you and is expected to adversely affect the price at which you may be able to sell the Securities in any secondary market. The value of the embedded derivative(s) is calculated based on our internal pricing models using relevant parameter inputs such as expected interest and dividend rates and mid-market levels of price and volatility of the assets underlying the Securities or any futures, options or swaps related to such underlying assets. Our internal pricing models are proprietary and rely in part on certain assumptions about future events, which may prove to be incorrect.

The Issuer's estimated value of the Securities on the Trade Date (as disclosed on the cover of this free writing prospectus) is less than the Issue Price of the Securities. The difference between the Issue Price and the Issuer's estimated value of the Securities on the Trade Date is due to the inclusion in the Issue Price of the agent's commissions, if any, and the cost of hedging our obligations under the Securities through one or more of our affiliates. Such hedging cost includes our or our affiliates' expected cost of providing such hedge, as well as the profit we or our affiliates expect to realize in consideration for assuming the risks inherent in providing such hedge.

The Issuer's estimated value of the Securities on the Trade Date does not represent the price at which we or any of our affiliates would be willing to purchase your Securities in the secondary market at any time. Assuming no changes in market conditions or our creditworthiness and other relevant factors, the price, if any, at which we or our affiliates would be willing to purchase the Securities from you in secondary market transactions, if at all, would generally be lower than both the Issue Price and the Issuer's estimated value of the Securities on the Trade Date. Our purchase price, if any, in secondary market transactions will be based on the estimated value of the Securities determined by reference to (i) the then-prevailing internal funding rate (adjusted by a spread) or another appropriate measure of our cost of funds and (ii) our pricing models at that time, less a bid spread determined after taking into account the size of the repurchase, the nature of the assets underlying the Securities and then-prevailing market conditions. The price we report to financial reporting services and to distributors of our Securities for use on customer account statements would generally be determined on the same basis. However, during the period of approximately five months beginning from the Trade Date, we or our affiliates may, in our sole discretion, increase the purchase price determined as described above by an amount equal to the declining differential between the Issue Price and the Issuer's estimated value of the Securities on the Trade Date, prorated over such period on a straight-line basis, for transactions that are individually and in the aggregate of the expected size for ordinary secondary market repurchases.

# **Resolution Measures**

Under the German Recovery and Resolution Act (Sanierungs- und Abwicklungsgesetz, or "SAG"), which went into effect on January 1, 2015, the Securities may be subject to any Resolution Measure by our competent resolution authority if we become, or are deemed by our competent supervisory authority to have become, "non-viable" (as defined under the then applicable law) and are unable to continue our regulated banking activities without a Resolution Measure becoming applicable to us. A "Resolution Measure" may include: (i) a write down, including to zero, of any payment (or delivery obligations) on the Securities; (ii) a conversion of the Securities into ordinary shares or other instruments qualifying as core equity tier 1 capital; and/or (iii) any other resolution measure, including (but not limited to) any transfer of the Securities to another entity, the amendment of the terms and conditions of the Securities or the cancellation of the Securities. By acquiring the Securities, you will be bound by and will be deemed to consent to the imposition of any Resolution Measure by our competent resolution authority as set forth in the accompanying

prospectus addendum dated December 24, 2014. Please read the risk factor "The Securities may be written down, be converted or become subject to other resolution measures. You may lose part or all of your investment if any such measure becomes applicable to us" in this free writing prospectus and see the accompanying prospectus addendum for further information.

# Additional Terms Specific to the Securities

You should read this free writing prospectus, together with underlying supplement No. 1 dated October 1, 2012, product supplement BG dated October 9, 2012, the prospectus supplement dated September 28, 2012 relating to our Series A global notes of which these Securities are a part, the prospectus dated September 28, 2012 and the prospectus addendum dated December 24, 2014. You may access these documents on the website of the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC") at www.sec.gov as follows (or if such address has changed, by reviewing our filings for the relevant date on the SEC website):

- ♦ Underlying supplement No. 1 dated October 1, 2012: http://www.sec.gov/Archives/edgar/data/1159508/000095010312005120/crt\_dp33209-424b2.pdf
- Product supplement BG dated October 9, 2012: http://www.sec.gov/Archives/edgar/data/1159508/000095010312005360/crt\_dp33475-424b2.pdf
- Prospectus supplement dated September 28, 2012: http://www.sec.gov/Archives/edgar/data/1159508/000119312512409437/d414995d424b21.pdf
- ♦ Prospectus dated September 28, 2012: http://www.sec.gov/Archives/edgar/data/1159508/000119312512409372/d413728d424b21.pdf
- ♦ Prospectus addendum dated December 24, 2014: http://www.sec.gov/Archives/edgar/data/1159508/00095010314009034/crt 52088.pdf

Deutsche Bank AG has filed a registration statement (including a prospectus) with the Securities and Exchange Commission for the offering to which this free writing prospectus relates. Before you invest in the Securities offered hereby, you should read these documents and any other documents relating to this offering that Deutsche Bank AG has filed with the SEC for more complete information about Deutsche Bank AG and this offering. You may obtain these documents without cost by visiting EDGAR on the SEC website at www.sec.gov. Our Central Index Key, or CIK, on the SEC website is 0001159508. Alternatively, Deutsche Bank AG, any agent or any dealer participating in this offering will arrange to send you the prospectus, prospectus addendum, prospectus supplement, product supplement, underlying supplement and this free writing prospectus if you so request by calling toll-free 1-800-311-4409.

The trustee has appointed Deutsche Bank Trust Company Americas as its authenticating agent with respect to our Series A global notes.

You may revoke your offer to purchase the Securities at any time prior to the time at which we accept such offer by notifying the applicable agent. We reserve the right to change the terms of, or reject any offer to purchase, the Securities prior to their issuance. We will notify you in the event of any changes to the terms of the Securities, and you will be asked to accept such changes in connection with your purchase of the Securities. You may also choose to reject such changes, in which case we may reject your offer to purchase the Securities.

References to "Deutsche Bank AG," "we," "our" and "us" refer to Deutsche Bank AG, including, as the context requires, acting through one of its branches. In this free writing prospectus, "Securities" refers to the Trigger Autocallable Optimization Securities that are offered hereby, unless the context otherwise requires.

If the terms described in this free writing prospectus are inconsistent with those described in the accompanying underlying supplement, product supplement, prospectus supplement, prospectus or prospectus addendum, the terms described in this free writing prospectus shall control.

This free writing prospectus, together with the documents listed above, contains the terms of the Securities and supersedes all other prior or contemporaneous oral statements as well as any other written materials including preliminary or indicative pricing terms, correspondence, trade ideas, structures for implementation, sample structures, brochures or other educational materials of ours. You should carefully consider, among other things, the matters set forth in "Key Risks" in this free writing prospectus, "Risk Factors" in the accompanying product supplement and "Risk Factors" in the accompanying prospectus addendum, as the Securities involve risks not associated with conventional debt securities. We urge you to consult your investment, legal, tax, accounting and other advisers before deciding to invest in the Securities.

All references to "Observation Date" in this free writing prospectus shall be deemed to refer to "Call Date" as defined in the accompanying product supplement.

### **Investor Suitability**

The suitability considerations identified below are not exhaustive. Whether or not the Securities are a suitable investment for you will depend on your individual circumstances, and you should reach an investment decision only after you and your investment, legal, tax, accounting and other advisors have carefully considered the suitability of an investment in the Securities in light of your particular circumstances. You should also review "Key Risks" on page 5 of this free writing prospectus, "Risk Factors" on page 8 of the accompanying product supplement and "Risk Factors" on page 2 of the accompanying prospectus addendum.

The Securities may be suitable for you if, among other considerations:

- "You fully understand the risks inherent in an investment in the Securities, including the risk of loss of your entire investment.
- "You can tolerate the loss of a significant portion or all of your investment and are willing to make an investment in which you could have similar downside market risk as a hypothetical investment in the Index or the stocks composing the Index.
- "You believe the closing level of the Index will be greater than or equal to the Initial Index Level on an Observation Date, including the Final Valuation Date.
- "You understand and accept that you will not participate in any increase in the level of the Index and you are willing to make an investment the return of which is limited to the applicable Call Return.
- You can tolerate fluctuations in the value of the Securities prior to maturity that may be similar to or exceed the downside fluctuations in the level of the Index.
- You would be willing to invest in the Securities if the Call Return Rate was set equal to

The Securities may not be suitable for you if, among other considerations:

- You do not fully understand the risks inherent in an investment in the Securities, including the risk of loss of your entire investment.
- "You cannot tolerate the loss of a significant portion or all of your investment or you are not willing to make an investment in which you could have similar downside market risk as a hypothetical investment in the Index or the stocks composing the Index.
- "You require an investment designed to provide a full return of your initial investment at maturity."
- "You believe the Securities will not be automatically called and the Final Index Level will be less than the Trigger Level.
- "You seek an investment that participates in any increase in the level of the Index or that has unlimited return potential.
- You cannot tolerate fluctuations in the value of the Securities prior to maturity that may be similar to or exceed the downside fluctuations in the level of the Index.
- "You would be unwilling to invest in the Securities if the Call Return Rate was set equal to

the bottom of the range, as set forth on the cover of this free writing prospectus.

- "You do not seek current income from this investment and are willing to forgo any dividends or any other distributions paid on the stocks composing the Index.
- "You are willing and able to hold Securities that will be automatically called on any Observation Date on which the closing level of the Index is greater than or equal to the Initial Index Level, and you are otherwise willing and able to hold the Securities to the Maturity Date as set forth on the cover of this free writing prospectus, and are not seeking an investment for which there will be an active secondary market.
- "You seek an investment with exposure to companies with relatively small market capitalization.
- "You are willing to assume the credit risk associated with Deutsche Bank AG, as Issuer of the Securities, and understand that if Deutsche Bank AG defaults on its obligations or becomes subject to a Resolution Measure, you might not receive any amounts due to you including any payment upon an earlier automatic call or any repayment of your initial investment at maturity.

the bottom of the range, as set forth on the cover of this free writing prospectus.

- " You prefer the lower risk, and therefore accept the potentially lower returns, of fixed income investments with comparable maturities and credit ratings.
- "You seek current income from this investment or you prefer to receive any dividends or any other distributions paid on the stocks composing the Index.
- You are unwilling or unable to hold Securities that will be automatically called on any Observation Date on which the closing level of the Index is greater than or equal to the Initial Index Level, or you are otherwise unable or unwilling to hold the Securities to the Maturity Date as set forth on the cover of this free writing prospectus, or seek an investment for which there will be an active secondary market.
- "You do not seek an investment with exposure to companies with relatively small market capitalization.
- You are unwilling or unable to assume the credit risk associated with Deutsche Bank AG, as Issuer of the Securities for all payments on the Securities, including any payment upon an earlier automatic call or any repayment of your initial investment at maturity.

Indicative Terms				
Issuer	Deutsche Rank	AG, London Branch		
Issue Price		e Amount of Securities		
		e Amount of Securities		
Face Amount	\$10.00			
Term	·	to a quarterly automatic call		
Trade Date1	March 27, 2015			
Settlement Date1	March 31, 2015			
Final Valuation Date1, 2	March 27, 2017			
Maturity Date1, 2, 3	March 31, 2017			
Index	Russell 2000® I	ndex (Ticker: RTY)		
Call Feature	level of the Inde equal to the Initi automatically ca the applicable Ca	ill be automatically called if the closing x on any Observation Date is greater than or al Index Level. If the Securities are lled, Deutsche Bank AG will pay you on all Settlement Date a cash payment per ount of Securities equal to the Call Price for bservation Date.		
Observation Dates 1, 2	Quarterly, on the	e dates set forth in the table below		
Call Settlement Dates		ys following the relevant Observation Date, settlement Date for the Final Valuation Date rity Date		
Call Return and Call Return Rate	outstanding and between 7.00% a	The Call Return increases the longer the Securities are outstanding and is based upon a Call Return Rate of between 7.00% and 8.60% per annum. The actual Call Return Rate will be set on the Trade Date.		
Call Price	the Face Amoun reflects the Call range (the actual	quals the Face Amount plus the product of t and the Call Return. The table below Return range and corresponding Call Price amounts will be set on the Trade Date).		
	1	Price* ).00 Face		
	4	ount of		
Observation Dates		rities)		
June 26, 2015	-	.175 - 0.215		
September 28, 2015		350 -		
D 1 20 2015	-	0.430		
December 28, 2015		.525 - 0.645		
March 28, 2016		700 -		
	2016 8.60% \$10	0.860		
June 27, 2016	June 29, 8.75% - \$10.	.875 -		

2016

10.75%

\$11.075

September 27, 2016	September	10.50% -	\$11.050 -
	29, 2016	12.90%	\$11.290
December 27, 2016	December	12.25% -	\$11.225 -
	29, 2016	15.05%	\$11.505
March 27, 2017 (Final Valuation Date)	March 31,	14.00% -	\$11.400 -
	2017	17.20%	\$11.720
	(Maturity		
	Date)		

<sup>\*</sup>The actual Call Returns and Call Prices will be determined on the Trade Date.

Payment at Maturity (per \$10.00 Face Amount of Securities)

If the Securities are not automatically called and the Final Index Level is greater than or equal to the Trigger Level, Deutsche Bank AG will pay you a cash payment per \$10.00 Face Amount of Securities at maturity equal to the Face Amount.

If the Securities are not automatically called and the Final Index Level is less than the Trigger Level, Deutsche Bank AG will pay you a cash payment per \$10.00 Face Amount of Securities at maturity that is less than the Face Amount, equal to:

 $10.00 + (10.00 \times 1000 \times 1000$ 

In this circumstance, you will lose a significant portion or all of your initial investment in an amount proportionate to the negative Index Return.

Index Return Final Index Level – Initial Index Level

Initial Index Level

Trigger Level 80.00% of the Initial Index Level

The actual Trigger Level will be determined on the Trade Date.

Initial Index Level The closing level of the Index on the Trade Date

Final Index Level The closing level of the Index on the Final Valuation Date

INVESTING IN THE SECURITIES INVOLVES SIGNIFICANT RISKS. YOU MAY LOSE A SIGNIFICANT PORTION OR ALL OF YOUR INITIAL INVESTMENT. ANY PAYMENT ON THE SECURITIES, INCLUDING ANY PAYMENT UPON AN AUTOMATIC CALL OR ANY REPAYMENT OF YOUR INITIAL INVESTMENT AT MATURITY, IS SUBJECT TO THE CREDITWORTHINESS OF THE ISSUER. IF DEUTSCHE BANK AG WERE TO DEFAULT ON ITS PAYMENT OBLIGATIONS OR BECOMES SUBJECT TO A RESOLUTION MEASURE, YOU MIGHT NOT RECEIVE ANY AMOUNTS OWED TO YOU UNDER THE SECURITIES AND YOU COULD LOSE YOUR ENTIRE INVESTMENT.

#### Investment Timeline

Trade Date:

The Initial Index Level is observed and the Trigger Level is determined.

Quarterly (including at maturity):

The Securities will be automatically called if the closing level of the Index on any Observation Date is greater than or equal to the Initial Index Level.

If the Securities are automatically called, Deutsche Bank AG will pay you on the applicable Call Settlement Date a cash payment per \$10.00 Face Amount of Securities equal

to the Call Price for the applicable Observation Date. The Final Index Level is observed and the Index Return will be calculated on the Final Valuation Date. If the Securities are not automatically called and the Final Index Level is greater than or equal to the Trigger Level, Deutsche Bank AG will pay you a cash payment per \$10.00 Face Amount of Securities at maturity equal to the Face Amount. If the Securities are not automatically called and the Final Maturity Date: Index Level is less than the Trigger Level, Deutsche Bank AG will pay you a cash payment per \$10.00 Face Amount of Securities at maturity that is less than the Face Amount, equal to: \$10.00 + (\$10.00 x Index Return) In this circumstance, you will lose a significant portion or all of your initial investment in an amount proportionate to the negative Index Return.

<sup>1</sup> In the event that we make any change to the expected Trade Date or Settlement Date, the Final Valuation Date, Maturity Date and Observation Dates may be changed to ensure that the stated term of the Securities remains the same.

<sup>2</sup> Subject to postponement as described under "Description of Securities — Adjustments to Valuation Dates and Payment Dates" in the accompanying product supplement.

<sup>3</sup> Notwithstanding the provisions under "Description of Securities — Adjustments to Valuation Dates and Payment Dates" in the accompanying product supplement, in the event the Final Valuation Date is postponed, the Maturity Date will be the fourth business day after the Final Valuation Date as postponed.

### Key Risks

An investment in the Securities involves significant risks. Investing in the Securities is not equivalent to hypothetically investing directly in the Index or in the stocks composing the Index. Some of the risks that apply to an investment in the Securities are summarized below, but we urge you to read the more detailed explanation of risks relating to the Securities generally in the "Risk Factors" sections of the accompanying product supplement and prospectus addendum. We also urge you to consult your investment, legal, tax, accounting and other advisers before you invest in the Securities.

- ◆ Your Investment in the Securities May Result in a Loss of Your Initial Investment The Securities differ from ordinary debt securities in that Deutsche Bank AG will not necessarily pay you the Face Amount per \$10.00 Face Amount of Securities at maturity. If the Securities are not automatically called, the return on the Securities at maturity will depend on whether the Final Index Level is greater than or equal to the Trigger Level. If the Securities are not automatically called and the Final Index Level is greater than or equal to the Trigger Level, Deutsche Bank AG will pay you the Face Amount per \$10.00 Face Amount of Securities. However, if the Securities are not automatically called on any Observation Date and the Final Index Level is less than the Trigger Level, you will be fully exposed to any negative Index Return, and, for each \$10.00 Face Amount of Securities, you will lose 1.00% of the Face Amount for every 1.00% decline in the Final Index Level as compared to the Initial Index Level. In this circumstance, you will lose a significant portion or all of your initial investment at maturity.
- Limited Return Potential The return potential of the Securities is limited to the Call Return which is based on the Call Return Rate, regardless of the performance of the Index. Because the Call Return increases the longer the Securities are outstanding and the Securities could be automatically called as early as the first Observation Date (approximately three months after the Trade Date), the term of your investment could be cut short, and your return on the Securities would then be less than if the Securities were automatically called at a later date. As a result, a hypothetical direct investment in the Index or in the stocks composing the Index could provide a better return than an investment in the Securities. If the Securities are not automatically called, you may be fully exposed to the full downside performance of the Index even though you cannot participate in any potential increase in the level of the Index. Furthermore, because the level of the Index at various times during the term of the Securities could be higher than on the Observation Dates and on the Final Valuation Date, you may receive a lower payment if the Securities are automatically called or at maturity, as the case may be, than you would have with a hypothetical direct investment in the Index or in the stocks composing the Index.
- ♦ Contingent Repayment of Your Initial Investment Applies Only if You Hold the Securities to Maturity If your Securities are not automatically called, you should be willing to hold your Securities to maturity. If you are able to sell your Securities prior to maturity in the secondary market, you may have to sell them at a loss relative to your initial investment even if the level of the Index is greater than the Trigger Level.
- ♦ Higher Call Return Rates Are Generally Associated with a Greater Risk of Loss Greater expected volatility with respect to the Index reflects a higher expectation as of the Trade Date that the Final Index Level could be less than the Trigger Level on the Final Valuation Date. This greater expected risk will generally be reflected in a higher Call Return Rate for the Securities. However, while the Call Return Rate is set on the Trade Date, the Index's volatility can change significantly over the term of the Securities. The level of the Index could fall sharply, which could result in a significant loss of your initial investment.
- ◆ Reinvestment Risk If your Securities are automatically called, the holding period over which you would receive the Call Return which is based on the Call Return Rate could be as little as three months. There is no guarantee that you would be able to reinvest the proceeds from an investment in the Securities at a comparable return for a similar level of risk in the event the Securities are automatically called prior to the Maturity Date.

- ♦ No Coupon Payments Deutsche Bank AG will not pay any coupon payments with respect to the Securities.
- ◆ The Securities Are Subject to the Credit of Deutsche Bank AG The Securities are unsubordinated and unsecured obligations of Deutsche Bank AG and are not, either directly or indirectly, an obligation of any third party. Any payment(s) to be made on the Securities, including any payment upon an automatic call or any repayment of the Face Amount per \$10.00 Face Amount of Securities at maturity, depends on the ability of Deutsche Bank AG to satisfy its obligations as they come due. An actual or anticipated downgrade in Deutsche Bank AG's credit rating or increase in the credit spreads charged by the market for taking the credit risk of Deutsche Bank AG will likely have an adverse effect on the value of the Securities. As a result, the actual and perceived creditworthiness of Deutsche Bank AG will affect the value of the Securities, and in the event Deutsche Bank AG were to default on its obligations or becomes subject to a Resolution Measure, you might not receive any amount(s) owed to you under the terms of the Securities and you could lose your entire investment.
- ◆ The Securities May Be Written Down, Be Converted or Become Subject to Other Resolution Measures. You May Lose Some or All of Your Investment If Any Such Measure Becomes Applicable to Us — On May 15, 2014, the European Parliament and the Council of the European Union published a directive for establishing a framework for the recovery and resolution of credit institutions and investment firms (commonly referred to as the "Bank Recovery and Resolution Directive"). The Bank Recovery and Resolution Directive requires each member state of the European Union to adopt and publish by December 31, 2014 the laws, regulations and administrative provisions necessary to comply with the Bank Recovery and Resolution Directive. Germany has adopted the Recovery and Resolution Act (or SAG), which went into effect on January 1, 2015. SAG may result in the Securities being subject to the powers exercised by our competent resolution authority to impose a Resolution Measure on us, which may include: writing down, including to zero, any payment on the Securities; converting the Securities into ordinary shares or other instruments qualifying as core equity tier 1 capital; or applying any other resolution measure, including (but not limited to) transferring the Securities to another entity, amending the terms and conditions of the Securities or cancelling of the Securities. Furthermore, because the Securities are subject to any Resolutioion, see "Risk Factors—General Risks Relating to the Notes" beginning on page PS-6 above and "Use of Proceeds" on page PS-14 of product supplement EQUITY-1. PS-18

#### U.S. FEDERAL INCOME TAX SUMMARY

The following summary of the material U.S. federal income tax considerations of the acquisition, ownership, and disposition of the notes is based upon the advice of Morrison & Foerster LLP, our tax counsel. The following discussion supplements, and to the extent inconsistent supersedes, the discussions under "U.S. Federal Income Tax Considerations" in the accompanying prospectus and under "U.S. Federal Income Tax Considerations" in the accompanying prospectus supplement and is not exhaustive of all possible tax considerations. This summary is based upon the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code"), regulations promulgated under the Code by the U.S. Treasury Department ("Treasury") (including proposed and temporary regulations), rulings, current administrative interpretations and official pronouncements of the IRS, and judicial decisions, all as currently in effect and all of which are subject to differing interpretations or to change, possibly with retroactive effect. No assurance can be given that the IRS would not assert, or that a court would not sustain, a position contrary to any of the tax consequences described below. This summary does not include any description of the tax laws of any state or local governments, or of any foreign government, that may be applicable to a particular holder.

This summary is directed solely to U.S. Holders and Non-U.S. Holders that, except as otherwise specifically noted, will purchase the notes upon original issuance and will hold the notes as capital assets within the meaning of Section 1221 of the Code, which generally means property held for investment, and that are not excluded from the discussion under "U.S. Federal Income Tax Considerations" in the accompanying prospectus.

You should consult your own tax advisor concerning the U.S. federal income tax consequences to you of acquiring, owning, and disposing of the notes, as well as any tax consequences arising under the laws of any state, local, foreign, or other tax jurisdiction and the possible effects of changes in U.S. federal or other tax laws.

#### General

Although there is no statutory, judicial, or administrative authority directly addressing the characterization of the notes, we intend to treat the notes for all tax purposes as single financial contracts with respect to the Underlyings and under the terms of the notes, we and every investor in the notes agree, in the absence of an administrative determination or judicial ruling to the contrary, to treat the notes in accordance with such characterization. This discussion assumes that the notes constitute single financial contracts with respect to the Underlyings for U.S. federal income tax purposes. If the notes did not constitute single financial contracts, the tax consequences described below would be materially different.

This characterization of the notes is not binding on the IRS or the courts. No statutory, judicial, or administrative authority directly addresses the characterization of the notes or any similar instruments for U.S. federal income tax purposes, and no ruling is being requested from the IRS with respect to their proper characterization and treatment. Due to the absence of authorities on point, significant aspects of the U.S. federal income tax consequences of an investment in the notes are not certain, and no assurance can be given that the IRS or any court will agree with the

characterization and tax treatment described in this supplement. Accordingly, you are urged to consult your tax advisor regarding all aspects of the U.S. federal income tax consequences of an investment in the notes, including possible alternative characterizations.

Unless otherwise stated, the following discussion is based on the characterization described above. The discussion in this section assumes that there is a significant possibility of a significant loss of principal on an investment in the notes.

We will not attempt to ascertain whether the issuer of any component stocks included in an Underlying would be treated as a "passive foreign investment company" ("PFIC"), within the meaning of Section 1297 of the Code, or a United States real property holding corporation, within the meaning of Section 897(c) of the Code. If the issuer of one or more stocks included in an Underlying were so treated, certain adverse U.S. federal income tax consequences could possibly apply to a holder of the notes. You should refer to information filed with the SEC by the issuers of the component stocks included in each Underlying and consult your tax advisor regarding the possible consequences to you, if any, if any issuer of the component stocks included in an Underlying is or becomes a PFIC or is or becomes a United States real property holding corporation.

### U.S. Holders

Upon receipt of a cash payment at maturity or upon a sale, exchange, or redemption of the notes prior to maturity, a U.S. Holder generally will recognize capital gain or loss equal to the difference between

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the amount realized and the U.S. Holder's tax basis in the notes. A U.S. Holder's tax basis in the notes will equal the amount paid by that holder to acquire them. This capital gain or loss generally will be long-term capital gain or loss if the U.S. Holder held the notes for more than one year. The deductibility of capital losses is subject to limitations.

Alternative Tax Treatments. Due to the absence of authorities that directly address the proper tax treatment of the notes, prospective investors are urged to consult their tax advisors regarding all possible alternative tax treatments of an investment in the notes. In particular, the IRS could seek to subject the notes to the Treasury regulations governing contingent payment debt instruments. If the IRS were successful in that regard, the timing and character of income on the notes would be affected significantly. Among other things, a U.S. Holder would be required to accrue original issue discount every year at a "comparable yield" determined at the time of issuance. In addition, any gain realized by a U.S. Holder at maturity or upon a sale, exchange, or redemption of the notes generally would be treated as ordinary income, and any loss realized at maturity would be treated as ordinary loss to the extent of the U.S. Holder's prior accruals of original issue discount, and as capital loss thereafter.

The IRS released Notice 2008-2 (the "Notice"), which sought comments from the public on the taxation of financial instruments currently taxed as "prepaid forward contracts." This Notice addresses instruments such as the notes. According to the Notice, the IRS and Treasury are considering whether a holder of an instrument such as the notes should be required to accrue ordinary income on a current basis, regardless of whether any payments are made prior to maturity. It is not possible to determine what guidance the IRS and Treasury will ultimately issue, if any. Any such future guidance may affect the amount, timing and character of income, gain, or loss in respect of the notes, possibly with retroactive effect.

The IRS and Treasury are also considering additional issues, including whether additional gain or loss from such instruments should be treated as ordinary or capital, whether foreign holders of such instruments should be subject to withholding tax on any deemed income accruals, whether Section 1260 of the Code, concerning certain "constructive ownership transactions," generally applies or should generally apply to such instruments, and whether any of these determinations depend on the nature of the underlying asset.

In addition, proposed Treasury regulations require the accrual of income on a current basis for contingent payments made under certain notional principal contracts. The preamble to the regulations states that the "wait and see" method of accounting does not properly reflect the economic accrual of income on those contracts, and requires current accrual of income for some contracts already in existence. While the proposed regulations do not apply to prepaid forward contracts, the preamble to the proposed regulations expresses the view that similar timing issues exist in the case of prepaid forward contracts. If the IRS or Treasury publishes future guidance requiring current economic accrual for contingent payments on prepaid forward contracts, it is possible that you could be required to accrue income over the term of the notes.

Because of the absence of authority regarding the appropriate tax characterization of the notes, it is also possible that the IRS could seek to characterize the notes in a manner that results in tax consequences that are different from

those described above. For example, the IRS could possibly assert that any gain or loss that a holder may recognize at maturity or upon the sale, exchange or redemption of the notes should be treated as ordinary gain or loss.

Because each Underlying is an index that periodically rebalances, it is possible that the notes could be treated as a series of single financial contracts, each of which matures on the next rebalancing date. If the notes were properly characterized in such a manner, a U.S. Holder would be treated as disposing of the notes on each rebalancing date in return for new notes that mature on the next rebalancing date, and a U.S. Holder would accordingly likely recognize capital gain or loss on each rebalancing date equal to the difference between the holder's tax basis in the notes (which would be adjusted to take into account any prior recognition of gain or loss) and the fair market value of the notes on such date.

### Non-U.S. Holders

Except as discussed below, a Non-U.S. Holder generally will not be subject to U.S. federal income or withholding tax for amounts paid in respect of the notes provided that the Non-U.S. Holder complies with applicable certification requirements and that the payment is not effectively connected with the conduct by the Non-U.S. Holder of a U.S. trade or business. Notwithstanding the foregoing, gain from the sale, exchange, or redemption of the notes or their settlement at maturity may be subject to U.S. federal income tax if that Non-U.S. Holder is a non-resident alien individual and is present in the U.S. for 183

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days or more during the taxable year of the settlement at maturity, sale, exchange, or redemption and certain other conditions are satisfied.

If a Non-U.S. Holder of the notes is engaged in the conduct of a trade or business within the U.S. and if gain realized on the settlement at maturity, or upon sale, exchange, or redemption of the notes, is effectively connected with the conduct of such trade or business (and, if certain tax treaties apply, is attributable to a permanent establishment maintained by the Non-U.S. Holder in the U.S.), the Non-U.S. Holder generally will be subject to U.S. federal income tax on such gain on a net income basis in the same manner as if it were a U.S. Holder. Such Non-U.S. Holders should read the material under the heading "—U.S. Holders," for a description of the U.S. federal income tax consequences of acquiring, owning, and disposing of the notes. In addition, if such Non-U.S. Holder is a foreign corporation, it may also be subject to a branch profits tax equal to 30% (or such lower rate provided by any applicable tax treaty) of a portion of its earnings and profits for the taxable year that are effectively connected with its conduct of a trade or business in the U.S., subject to certain adjustments.

A "dividend equivalent" payment is treated as a dividend from sources within the U.S. and such payments generally would be subject to a 30% (or a lower rate under an applicable treaty) U.S. withholding tax if paid to a Non-U.S. Holder. Under Treasury regulations, certain payments (including deemed payments) that are contingent upon or determined by reference to actual or estimated U.S. source dividends with respect to certain equity-linked instruments, whether explicitly stated or implicitly taken into account in computing one or more of the terms of such instruments, may be treated as dividend equivalents. However, this withholding on "dividend equivalent" payments, if any, will not apply to equity-linked instruments issued before January 1, 2017. If any payments are treated as dividend equivalents subject to withholding, we (or the applicable paying agent) would be entitled to withhold taxes without being required to pay any additional amounts with respect to amounts so withheld.

As discussed above, alternative characterizations of the notes for U.S. federal income tax purposes are possible. Should an alternative characterization, by reason of change or clarification of the law, by regulation or otherwise, cause payments as to the notes to become subject to withholding tax, we will withhold tax at the applicable statutory rate. As discussed above, the IRS has indicated in the Notice that it is considering whether income in respect of instruments such as the notes should be subject to withholding tax. Prospective Non-U.S. Holders of the notes should consult their own tax advisors in this regard.

*U.S. Federal Estate Tax.* Under current law, while the matter is not entirely clear, individual Non-U.S. Holders, and entities whose property is potentially includible in those individuals' gross estates for U.S. federal estate tax purposes (for example, a trust funded by such an individual and with respect to which the individual has retained certain interests or powers), should note that, absent an applicable treaty benefit, a note is likely to be treated as U.S. situs property, subject to U.S. federal estate tax. These individuals and entities should consult their own tax advisors regarding the U.S. federal estate tax consequences of investing in a note.

Please see the discussion under "U.S. Federal Income Tax Considerations — Taxation of Debt Securities — Backup Withholding and Information Reporting" in the accompanying prospectus for a description of the applicability of the backup withholding and information reporting rules to payments made on the notes.

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