

DEUTSCHE BANK AKTIENGESELLSCHAFT
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REPORT OF FOREIGN PRIVATE ISSUER
PURSUANT TO RULE 13 a -16 OR 15 d -16
UNDER THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

For the month of April 2019

Commission File Number 1-15242

DEUTSCHE BANK CORPORATION
(Translation of Registrant's Name Into English)

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Explanatory note

This Report on Form 6-K contains the following exhibits. This Report on Form 6-K and the exhibits hereto are hereby incorporated by reference into Registration Statement No. 333-226421 of Deutsche Bank AG. For the avoidance of doubt, the section of the Earnings Report (contained in Exhibit 99.1) entitled "Risks and Opportunities" is intended to supplement, but not replace, the section "Risk Factors" included on pages 11 to 43 of our 2018 Annual Report on Form 20-F.

Exhibit 99.1 : Deutsche Bank AG’s Earnings Report as of March 31, 2019.

Exhibit 99.2 : Capitalization table of Deutsche Bank AG as of March 31, 2019 (also incorporated as Exhibit 12.5 to Registration Statement No. 333-226421 of Deutsche Bank AG).

Exhibit 99.3 : Media Release, dated April 25, 2019, of Deutsche Bank AG.

Forward-looking statements contain risks

This report contains forward-looking statements. Forward-looking statements are statements that are not historical facts; they include statements about our beliefs and expectations. Any statement in this report that states our intentions, beliefs, expectations or predictions (and the assumptions underlying them) is a forward-looking statement. These statements are based on plans, estimates and projections as they are currently available to the management of Deutsche Bank. Forward-looking statements therefore speak only as of the date they are made, and we undertake no obligation to update publicly any of them in light of new information or future events.

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 trading revenues, 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 2018 Annual Report on Form 20-F dated March 22, 2019 filed with the SEC, on pages 11 through 43 under the heading “Risk Factors.” Copies of this document are readily available upon request or can be downloaded from www.deutsche-bank.com/ir.

Use of Non-GAAP Financial Measures

This report and other documents we have published or may publish contain non-GAAP financial measures. Non-GAAP financial measures are measures of our historical or future performance, financial position or cash flows that contain adjustments that exclude or include amounts that are included or excluded, as the case may be, from the most directly comparable measure calculated and presented in accordance with IFRS in our financial statements. Examples of our non-GAAP financial measures, and the most directly comparable IFRS financial measures, are as follows:

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| Non-GAAP Financial Measure | Most Directly Comparable IFRS Financial Measure |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------|
| Net income attributable to Deutsche Bank shareholders | Net income |
| Revenues excluding specific items | Net revenues |
| Adjusted costs | Noninterest expenses |
| Tangible shareholders’ equity, Average tangible shareholders’ equity, Tangible book value, Average tangible book value | Total shareholders’ equity (book value) |
| Post-tax return on average shareholders’ equity (based on Net income attributable to Deutsche Bank shareholders) | Post-tax return on average shareholders’ equity |
| Post-tax return on average tangible shareholders’ equity | Post-tax return on average shareholders’ equity |
| | Book value per share outstanding |

Tangible book value per basic share outstanding, Book value per basic share outstanding

For descriptions of non-GAAP financial measures and the adjustments made to the most directly comparable financial measures under IFRS, please refer to (i) the section “Non-GAAP financial measures” of Exhibit 99.1 hereto, (ii) the section “Use of Non-GAAP Financial Measures” on page 5 of our 2018 Annual Report on Form 20-F and (iii) the section “Supplementary Information (Unaudited): Non-GAAP Financial Measures” on pages 416 through 419 of our 2018 Annual Report (which Annual Report 2018 constitutes a part of our 2018 Annual Report on Form 20-F).

When used with respect to future periods, our non-GAAP financial measures are also forward-looking statements. We cannot predict or quantify the levels of the most directly comparable financial measures under IFRS that would correspond to these measures for future periods. This is because neither the magnitude of such IFRS financial measures, nor the magnitude of the adjustments to be used to calculate the related non-GAAP financial measures from such IFRS financial measures, can be predicted. Such adjustments, if any, will relate to specific, currently unknown, events and in most cases can be positive or negative, so that it is not possible to predict whether, for a future period, the non-GAAP financial measure will be greater than or less than the related IFRS financial measure.

CRR/CRD 4 Solvency Measures

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Since January 1, 2014, our regulatory assets, exposures, risk-weighted assets, capital and ratios thereof are calculated for regulatory purposes under the regulation on prudential requirements for credit institutions and investment firms (“CRR”) and the Capital Requirements Directive 4 (“CRD 4”) implementing Basel 3, which were published on June 27, 2013. CRR/CRD 4 provides for “transitional” (or “phase-in”) rules, under which capital instruments that are no longer eligible under the new rules are permitted to be phased out as the new rules on regulatory adjustments are phased in, as well as regarding the risk weighting of certain categories of assets. Unless otherwise noted, our CRR/CRD 4 solvency measures set forth in this report reflect these transitional rules.

We also set forth in this report and other documents such CRR/CRD 4 measures on a “fully loaded” basis, reflecting full application of the final CRR/CRD 4 framework without consideration of the transitional provisions under CRR/CRD 4, except with respect to a limited set of equity investments for periods ending before December 31, 2017.

For descriptions of these fully loaded CRR/CRD 4 measures and the differences from the most directly comparable measures under the CRR/CRD 4 transitional rules, please refer to (i) the sections “Risk information” and “Non-GAAP financial measures: Fully loaded CRR/CRD 4 Measures” of Exhibit 99.1 hereto, (ii) the section “CRR/CRD 4 Solvency Measures” on page 6 of our 2018 Annual Report on Form 20-F, (iii) the section “Management Report: Risk Report: Risk and capital performance: Capital, Leverage Ratio and MREL” on pages 90 through 103 of our Annual Report 2018 (which Annual Report 2018 constitutes a part of our 2018 Annual Report on Form 20-F), in particular in the subsections thereof entitled “Development of regulatory capital”, “Development of risk-weighted assets” and “Leverage Ratio”, and (iv) the section “Supplementary Information (Unaudited): Non-GAAP Financial Measures: Fully loaded CRR/CRD 4 Measures” on page 419 of our Annual Report 2018.

As the final implementation of CRR/CRD 4 may differ from our expectations, and our competitors’ assumptions and estimates regarding such implementation may vary, our fully loaded CRR/CRD 4 measures may not be comparable with similarly labeled measures used by our competitors. We believe that these fully loaded CRR/CRD 4 calculations provide useful information to investors as they reflect our progress against the new regulatory capital standards and as many of our competitors have been describing CRR/CRD 4 calculations on a “fully loaded” basis.

When used with respect to future periods, our fully loaded CRR/CRD 4 measures are also forward-looking statements.

We cannot predict or quantify the levels of the most directly comparable transitional CRR/CRD 4 measures that would correspond to these fully loaded CRR/CRD 4 measures for future periods. In managing our business with the aim of achieving targets based on fully loaded CRR/CRD 4 measures, the relation between the fully loaded and transitional measures will depend upon, among other things, management action taken in light of future business, economic and other conditions.

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Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

DEUTSCHE BANK AKTIENGESELLSCHAFT

Date: April 26, 2019

By: /s/ Serdar Oezkan

Name: Serdar Oezkan

Title: Managing Director

By: /s/ Mathias Otto

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