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# Argenta launches its second benchmark covered bond this year.

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Today, Argenta successfully launched its second benchmark covered bond within one year, as part of its Mortgage Pandbrieven program. In contrast to the first issuance at the beginning of this year, the tenor is 20 years instead of 10 years.

The bond enjoys a AAA rating from Standard & Poor's.

The issue price is 98,643% and the annual coupon is 0,50%. This gives a yield of 0,572% on an annual basis.

This benchmark issuance will further strengthen Argenta's name and credit story as an emerging issuer on the fixed income market. It also offers Argenta the opportunity to further diversify its investor base. Moreover, this is an additional source of financing for Argenta at very interesting conditions.

#### Distribution

On 28<sup>th</sup> of september, Argenta announced its intention to institutional investors to launch its second covered bond. The joint bookrunners were Belfius, LBBW (Landesbank Baden-Württemberg), Barclays and Natixis.

The issuance was extremely well received.

At the time of announcement, the Initial Price Thought was set at Mid Swap + 14bp.

After one hour, the order book was more than € 1.5bn. It grew further and finally closed above 2bn, even after a decline of the spread with 5bp to 9bp. Almost 90 different investors participated in the issue.

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### **About Argenta**

Argenta Bank- en Verzekeringsgroep is a bank and insurer company for families, operating in Belgium and the Netherlands. Argenta Spaarbank focuses on the banking activities and Argenta Assuranties on the insurance activities.

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