

Prospectus Supplement No. 9 to European Base Prospectus, dated June 5, 2014

The Goldman Sachs Group, Inc. Euro Medium-Term Notes, Series F

This Prospectus Supplement No. 9 (the "Prospectus Supplement") to the European Base Prospectus, dated June 5, 2014 and approved by the Commission de Surveillance du Secteur Financier (the "CSSF") on June 5, 2014 (the "European Base Prospectus"), constitutes a supplement to the European Base Prospectus for the purposes of Article 13 of Chapter 1 of Part II of the Luxembourg Law on Prospectuses for Securities dated July 10, 2005 (the "Luxembourg Law") and should be read in conjunction therewith and with Prospectus Supplement No. 1, dated July 15, 2014, Prospectus Supplement No. 2, dated August 8, 2014, Prospectus Supplement No. 3, dated August 27, 2014, Prospectus Supplement No. 4, dated October 17, 2014, Prospectus Supplement No. 5, dated November 5, 2014, Prospectus Supplement No. 6, dated January 16, 2015, Prospectus Supplement No. 7, dated February 24, 2015 and Prospectus Supplement No. 8, dated March 12, 2015. The terms defined in the European Base Prospectus have the same meaning when used in this Prospectus Supplement.

The credit ratings of The Goldman Sachs Group, Inc. referred to in the European Base Prospectus have been issued by DBRS, Inc., Fitch, Inc., Moody's Investors Service and Standard & Poor's Ratings Services, each of which is established in the United States (together, the "US CRAs").

In general, European regulated investors are restricted from using a rating for regulatory purposes if such rating is not either (1) issued or validly endorsed by a credit rating agency established in the European Union (an "EU CRA") and registered with the European Securities and Markets authority ("ESMA") under Regulation (EU) No. 1060/2009, amended by Regulation (EU) No 513/2011 (as amended, the "CRA Regulation") or (2) issued by a credit rating agency established outside the European Union which is certified under the CRA Regulation.

The EU affiliates of DBRS, Inc., Fitch, Inc., Moody's Investors Service and Standard & Poor's Ratings Services are registered EU CRAs on the official list, available at http://www.esma.europa.eu/page/List-registered-and-certified-CRAs. ESMA has approved the endorsement by such EU affiliates of credit ratings issued by the corresponding US CRAs. Accordingly, credit ratings issued by the US CRAs may be used for regulatory purposes in the EU. In addition to the US CRAs mentioned, Rating and Investment Information, Inc. ("R&I") has issued a credit rating. This rating is incorporated in the European Base Prospectus for information purposes only. R&I is incorporated in a third country but has not applied for the registration under the CRA Regulation.

To the extent that there is any inconsistency between (a) any statement in this Prospectus Supplement or any statement incorporated by reference in this Prospectus Supplement and (b) any other statement in or incorporated by reference in the European Base Prospectus and Supplement Nos. 1-8, the statements in (a) above will prevail. Save as disclosed in this Prospectus Supplement, as at the date hereof there has been no other significant new factor, material mistake or inaccuracy which would affect the assessment of securities to be offered to the public or listed and admitted to trading on an EU regulated market pursuant to the European Base Prospectus as previously supplemented by Supplement Nos. 1-8, relating to the information included in the European Base Prospectus, since the publication of Supplement No. 8.

This Prospectus Supplement incorporates by reference:

- the Current Report on Form 8-K dated April 16, 2015 (the "April 16 Form 8-K"), which we filed with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC") on April 16, 2015; and
- the Proxy Statement relating to our 2015 Annual Meeting of Shareholders on May 21, 2015 (the "2015 Proxy Statement"), which we filed with the SEC on April 10, 2015.

Copies of the April 16 Form 8-K and the 2015 Proxy Statement have been filed with the CSSF in its capacity as competent authority under the Prospectus Directive.

In addition:

 the text under the caption "Tax Monitoring Obligations" in the European Base Prospectus is hereby deleted and replaced with the following (and, for the avoidance of doubt, the following supersedes the text of the Prospectus Supplement No. 6, dated January 16, 2015, page S-8, deleting and replacing the same text in the European Base Prospectus):

Tax Monitoring Obligations

Pursuant to Italian Law Decree 28 June 1990, No. 167, converted by Law 4 August 1990, No. 227, as amended ("Decree No. 167"), individuals, non-commercial institutions and non-commercial partnerships resident in Italy who, at the end of the fiscal year, hold investments abroad or have foreign financial assets (including Notes held abroad and/or Notes issued by a non-Italian resident Issuer) must, in certain circumstances, disclose the aforesaid and related transfers to, from and occurred abroad, to the Italian tax authorities in their income tax return (or, in case the income tax return is not due, in a proper form that must be filed within the same time prescribed for the income tax return).

This obligation does not exist (i) in cases where each of the overall value of the foreign investments or financial assets at the end of the fiscal year, and the overall value of the related transfers to, from and occurred abroad carried out during the relevant fiscal year, does not exceed Euro 15,000, as well as (ii) in case the financial assets are given in administration or management to Italian banks, SIMs, fiduciary companies or other professional intermediaries, indicated in Article 1 of Decree No. 167, or if one of such intermediaries intervenes, also as a counterpart, in their transfer, provided that income deriving from such financial assets is collected through the intervention of such an intermediary.

[End of Amendment]

The April 16 Form 8-K and 2015 Proxy Statement are incorporated by reference into, and form part of, this Prospectus Supplement, and the information contained in the April 16 Form 8-K and 2015 Proxy Statement shall be deemed to update any information contained in the European Base Prospectus and any document incorporated by reference therein. The April 16 Form 8-K and 2015 Proxy Statement will be available as described in the section "Documents Incorporated By Reference" in the European Base Prospectus. This Prospectus Supplement and the April 16 Form 8-K and 2015 Proxy Statement will be available on the website of the Luxembourg Stock Exchange at http://www.bourse.lu.

In accordance with Article 13 paragraph 2 of the Luxembourg Law, investors who have already agreed to purchase or subscribe for securities offered under the European Base Prospectus before this Prospectus Supplement is published shall have the right, exercisable within two working days after the publication of this Prospectus Supplement, up to and including April 20, 2015, to withdraw their acceptances.

Documents Incorporated by Reference

The European Base Prospectus, as supplemented by this Prospectus Supplement, incorporates by reference the following documents (the "Reports"):

- the Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2013 (the "2013 Form 10-K"), including Exhibit 21.1 thereto ("Exhibit 21.1"), which we filed with the SEC on February 28, 2014;
- 2. the Current Report on Form 8-K dated March 26, 2014 (the "March 26 Form 8-K"), which we filed with the SEC on March 26, 2014;
- 3. the Proxy Statement relating to our 2014 Annual Meeting of Shareholders on May 16, 2014 (the "2014 Proxy Statement"), which we filed with the SEC on April 4, 2014;
- 4. Exhibit 99.1 to the Current Report on Form 8-K dated April 17, 2014 ("Exhibit 99.1 to the April 17 Form 8-K"), which we filed with the SEC on April 17, 2014;

- 5. the Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the fiscal quarter ended March 31, 2014 (the "2014 First Quarter Form 10-Q"), which we filed with the SEC on May 9, 2014;
- 6. the terms and conditions of the Notes contained on pages 32-100 of the base prospectus dated June 11, 2010;
- 7. the terms and conditions of the Notes contained on pages 33-102 of the base prospectus dated June 10, 2011;
- 8. the prospectus supplement dated October 19, 2011 to the base prospectus dated June 10, 2011;
- the terms and conditions of the Notes contained on pages 31-92 of the base prospectus dated June 8, 2012:
- 10. the terms and conditions of the Notes contained on pages 29-77 of the base prospectus dated June 10, 2013; and
- 11. Exhibit 99.1 to the Current Report on Form 8-K dated July 15, 2014 ("Exhibit 99.1 to the July 15 Form 8-K"), which we filed with the SEC on July 15, 2014;
- 12. the Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the fiscal quarter ended June 30, 2014, dated August 6, 2014 (the "2014 Second Quarter Form 10-Q"), which we filed with the SEC on August 7, 2014;
- 13. Exhibit 99.1 to the Current Report on Form 8-K dated August 22, 2014 ("Exhibit 99.1 to the August 22 Form 8-K"), which we filed with the SEC on August 25, 2014;
- 14. Exhibit 99.1 to the Current Report on Form 8-K dated October 16, 2014 ("Exhibit 99.1 to the October 16 Form 8-K"), which we filed with the SEC on October 16, 2014;
- 15. the Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the fiscal quarter ended September 30, 2014, dated November 4, 2014 (the "2014 Third Quarter Form 10-Q"), which we filed with the SEC on November 5, 2014;
- 16. Exhibit 99.1 to the Current Report on Form 8-K dated December 19, 2014 ("Exhibit 99.1 to the December 19 Form 8-K"), which we filed with the SEC on December 19, 2014;
- 17. Exhibit 99.1 to the Current Report on Form 8-K dated January 16, 2015 ("Exhibit 99.1 to the January 16 Form 8-K"), which we filed with the SEC on January 16, 2015;
- the Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2014 (the "2014 Form 10-K"), including Exhibit 21.1 thereto ("Exhibit 21.1"), which we filed with the SEC on February 23, 2015:
- 19. the Current Report on Form 8-K dated March 9, 2015 (the "March 9 Form 8-K"), which we filed with the SEC on March 9, 2015;
- 20. the Current Report on Form 8-K dated March 11, 2015 (the "March 11 Form 8-K"), which we filed with the SEC on March 11, 2015;
- 21. the April 16 Form 8-K; and
- 22. the 2015 Proxy Statement.

This list supersedes the list of documents incorporated by reference on page 43 of the European Base Prospectus.

The following table supersedes the table contained on pages 44-45 of the European Base Prospectus and indicates where information required by the Prospectus Regulation to be disclosed in, or incorporated by reference into, this Prospectus Supplement can be found in the Reports. Unless otherwise specified, page references are to the

body of each Report rather than to exhibits attached thereto. The information incorporated by reference that is not included in the cross-reference list is considered as additional information and is not required by the relevant schedules of the Commission Regulation (EC) 809/2004.

Information required by the Prospectus Regulation	Document/Location
Selected financial information for the fiscal years ended December 31, 2013, December 31, 2012 and December 31, 2011 (Annex IV, Section 3 of the Prospectus Regulation)	2014 Form 10-K (p. 224)
Risk factors (Annex IV, Section 4 of the Prospectus Regulation)	2014 Form 10-K (pp. 25-42)
Information about us	
History and development of our company (Annex IV, Section 5.1 of the Prospectus Regulation)	2014 Form 10-K (p. 1)
	March 11 Form 8-K (p. 2)
Investments (Annex IV, Section 5.2 of the Prospectus Regulation)	2014 Form 10-K (pp. 83-85, 184-185)
Business overview	
Our principal activities (Annex IV, Section 6.1 of the Prospectus Regulation)	2014 Form 10-K (pp. 1-6, 123)
Our principal markets (Annex IV, Section 6.2 of the Prospectus Regulation)	2014 Form 10-K (pp. 1-7, 45, 49-50, 207- 208)
Organizational structure (Annex IV, Section 7 of the Prospectus Regulation)	2014 Form 10-K (pp. 31-32 and Exhibit 21.1)
Trend information (Annex IV, Section 8 of the Prospectus Regulation)	2014 Form 10-K (pp. 48-114)
Administrative, management and supervisory bodies, including conflicts of interest (Annex IV, Section 10 of the Prospectus Regulation)	2014 Proxy Statement (pp. 1, 4-5, 6-25, 61-63)
	Exhibit 99.1 to the December 19 Form 8-K
	2014 Form 10-K (p. 44)
	March 9 Form 8-K (p. 2)
	2015 Proxy Statement (pp. 1, 4, 10-11, 14-35, 86-88)
Audit committee (Annex IV, Section 11.1 of the Prospectus	2014 Proxy Statement (pp. 25, 56-57)
Regulation)	Exhibit 99.1 to the December 19 Form 8-K
	March 9 Form 8-K (p. 2)
	2015 Proxy Statement (pp. 25, 79-80)
Beneficial owners of more than five per cent. (Annex IV, Section 12 of the Prospectus Regulation)	2014 Proxy Statement (p. 66)
	2015 Proxy Statement (p. 91)
Financial information	
Audited historical financial information for the fiscal years ended December 31, 2013, December 31, 2012 and December 31, 2011 (Annex IV, Section 13.1-13.4 of the Prospectus Regulation)	2014 Form 10-K (pp. 118-221)
Audit report (Annex IV, Section 13.1 of the Prospectus Regulation)	2014 Form 10-K (p. 117)
Balance sheet (Annex IV, Section 13.1 of the Prospectus	2014 Form 10-K (p. 120)
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Regulation)

Income statement (Annex IV, Section 13.1 of the Prospectus 2014 Form 10-K (pp. 118-119)

Regulation)

Cash flow statement (Annex IV, Section 13.1 of the Prospectus 2014 Form 10-K (p. 122) Regulation)

Accounting policies and explanatory notes (Annex IV, Section 2014 Form 10-K (pp. 50-53, 123-221)

13.1 of the Prospectus Regulation)

Unaudited interim and other financial information (*Annex IV*, *Section* 2014 Form 10-K (p. 222) 13.5 of the Prospectus Regulation)

Exhibit 99.1 to the April 16 Form 8-K (pp. 6-9)

Unaudited selected interim financial information (Annex IV, Section 3 2014 Form 10-K (p. 222)

of the Prospectus Regulation) Exhibit 99.1 to the April 16 Form 8-K (pp. 6-

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Legal and arbitration proceedings (*Annex IV*, *Section 13.6 of the Prospectus Regulation*) 2014 Form 10-K (pp. 43, 210-218)

Share capital (Annex IV, Section 14.1 of the Prospectus Regulation) 2014 Form 10-K (pp. 120, 190-192)

References to the European Base Prospectus in the European Base Prospectus shall hereafter mean the European Base Prospectus as supplemented by this Prospectus Supplement, Prospectus Supplement No. 1, dated July 15, 2014, Prospectus Supplement No. 2, dated August 8, 2014, Prospectus Supplement No. 3, dated August 27, 2014, Prospectus Supplement No. 4, dated October 17, 2014, Prospectus Supplement No. 5, dated November 5, 2014, Prospectus Supplement No. 6, dated January 16, 2015, Prospectus Supplement No. 7, dated February 24, 2015 and Prospectus Supplement No. 8 dated March 12, 2015. The Goldman Sachs Group, Inc. has taken all reasonable care to ensure that the information contained in the European Base Prospectus, as supplemented by this Prospectus Supplement, is, to the best of its knowledge, in accordance with the facts and contains no omission likely to affect its import and accepts responsibility accordingly.

This Prospectus Supplement is not for use in, and may not be delivered to or inside, the United States.

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