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**The information in this preliminary prospectus supplement is not complete and may be changed. A registration statement relating to these securities has become effective upon filing with the Securities and Exchange Commission. We are not using this preliminary prospectus supplement or the attached prospectus to offer to sell these securities or to solicit offers to buy these securities in any jurisdiction where the offer or sale is not permitted.**

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**Preliminary Prospectus Supplement dated March 5, 2012**

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## KONINKLIJKE PHILIPS ELECTRONICS N.V.

\$ % Notes due

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Koninklijke Philips Electronics N.V. will pay interest on the notes due (the notes ) and the notes due (the notes ) semi-annually in arrears on and of each year, commencing on , 2012. The notes will bear interest at a rate of % and the notes will bear interest at a rate of %. In this prospectus supplement, we refer to the notes and the notes collectively as the notes .

We may redeem the notes on the terms set forth in this prospectus supplement under Description of the Notes . We may also redeem all of the notes at any time at 100% of the principal amount in the event of certain tax law changes requiring the payment of additional amounts as described herein. See Description of Debt Securities Redemption in the attached prospectus. We will pay accrued and unpaid interest, if any, and any other amounts payable to the date of redemption. The notes will not be subject to any sinking fund requirement. See Description of the Notes .

The notes will be unsecured and unsubordinated obligations of Koninklijke Philips Electronics N.V., and will rank equally with each other and with all present and future unsecured and unsubordinated debt obligations of Koninklijke Philips Electronics N.V. See Description of the Notes .

We do not intend to list the notes on any securities exchange.

*Investing in the notes involves risks. See Risk Factors beginning on page S-8 of this prospectus supplement and on page 4 of the attached prospectus for a discussion of certain factors you should consider before investing in the notes.*

		Price to Public <sup>(1)</sup>		Underwriting Discounts and Commissions		Proceeds, before expenses, to Koninklijke Philips Electronics N.V. <sup>(2)</sup>
Per Note			%		%	%
Total for Notes	\$			\$		\$
Per Note			%		%	%
Total for Notes	\$			\$		\$
Total	\$			\$		\$

<sup>(1)</sup> Plus accrued interest, if any, from March , 2012, if settlement occurs after that date.

<sup>(2)</sup> The underwriters will reimburse us for certain expenses relating to this transaction. See Underwriting .

**Neither the Securities and Exchange Commission nor any other regulatory body has approved or disapproved of these securities or passed upon the accuracy or adequacy of this prospectus supplement or the attached prospectus. Any representation to the contrary is a criminal offence.**

The underwriters expect to deliver the notes in book-entry form through the facilities of The Depository Trust Company ( DTC ) and its participants, including Euroclear and Clearstream, Luxembourg, against payment in New York, New York on or about March , 2012.

*Joint Book-Running Managers*

**Deutsche Bank Securities**

**HSBC**

**J.P. Morgan**

The date of this prospectus supplement is March , 2012.

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You should only rely on the information contained or incorporated by reference in this prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus. We have not, and the underwriters have not, authorized any other person to provide you with different information. We are not, and the underwriters are not, making an offer to sell these securities in any jurisdiction where the offer or sale is not permitted. You should not assume that the information appearing in this prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus, as well as information in documents incorporated by reference, is accurate as of any date other than the date on the front of these documents. Our business, financial condition, results of operations and prospects may have changed since that date.



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**INCORPORATION OF INFORMATION WE FILE WITH THE SEC**

The SEC allows us to incorporate by reference the information we file with them. This means:

incorporated documents are considered part of this prospectus supplement and the attached prospectus;

we can disclose important information to you by referring you to those documents; and

information that we file with the SEC will automatically update and supersede this prospectus supplement and the attached prospectus.

We incorporate by reference the Annual Report on Form 20-F of Koninklijke Philips Electronics N.V. for the year ended December 31, 2011 (the Annual Report on Form 20-F ) (File No. 001-05146-01), filed with the SEC on February 24, 2012, the Report on Form 6-K filed with the SEC on March 5, 2012 (which sets forth a statement of Philips consolidated capitalization) and any future filing made with the SEC under Sections 13(a), 13(c), 14 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 after the date of this prospectus supplement and until this offering is completed. Any reports on Form 6-K that we furnish to the SEC after the date of this prospectus supplement (or portions thereof) are incorporated by reference in this prospectus supplement only to the extent that the report expressly states that we incorporate it (or such portions) by reference in this prospectus supplement.

You may request a copy of any filings referred to above (excluding exhibits), at no cost, by contacting us at the following address and phone number:

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Web site: [www.philips.com/investor](http://www.philips.com/investor)

Information contained on Philips website or that can be accessed through Philips website is not incorporated by reference in this prospectus supplement.

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*This summary does not contain all of the information that is important to you. You should read carefully the entire prospectus supplement, the attached prospectus and the additional documents incorporated by reference herein for more information on Koninklijke Philips Electronics N.V.*

Unless the context otherwise requires, references in this prospectus supplement to Koninklijke Philips Electronics N.V., the issuer, we, our, ours and us are references to Koninklijke Philips Electronics N.V. without its subsidiaries, and references to Philips and the Philips group are to Koninklijke Philips Electronics N.V. and its consolidated subsidiaries.

**Our Company**

Koninklijke Philips Electronics N.V. is a limited liability company incorporated under Netherlands law tracing its origins to Philips & Co., which was established in 1891. Koninklijke Philips Electronics N.V. is the holding company for, and part of, the Philips group of companies. Its shares are listed on Euronext Amsterdam and the New York Stock Exchange. Philips delivers products, systems and services in the fields of lighting, healthcare, lifestyle entertainment, health & wellness, domestic appliances and personal care. As of December 31, 2011, Philips had approximately 124 production sites in 26 countries and sales and service outlets in approximately 100 countries and some 121,888 employees. Philips' principal executive office is located at Breitner Center, Amstelplein 2, 1096 BC, Amsterdam, The Netherlands. Our telephone number is (011) 31 20 59 77 777.

**Our structure**

Philips' activities are organized on a sectoral basis into three operating sectors: Healthcare, Lighting and Consumer Lifestyle. Each operating sector is responsible for the management of its businesses worldwide. Philips is also comprised of a Group Management & Services sector, which provides the operating sectors with support through shared service centers. The following chart provides an overview of Philips' business sectors, including their 2011 sales and income from operations ( IFO ) data and the business areas that comprise each.

Sector	Business Sectors			Group Management & Services
	Healthcare	Consumer Lifestyle	Lighting	
<b>2011 Sales and IFO</b>	Sales: 8,852	Sales: 5,823	Sales: 7,638	Sales: 266
<b>(in millions)</b>	IFO: 93	IFO: 392	IFO: (362)	IFO: (392)
<b>Business Areas</b>	Imaging Systems, Home Healthcare Solutions, Patient Care & Clinical Informatics, and Customer Services	Lifestyle Entertainment, Personal Care, Domestic Appliances, and Health & Wellness	Lamps, Professional Luminaires, Consumer Luminaires, Lighting Systems & Controls, Automotive Lighting, and Lumileds	Activities of the corporate centre, country and regional organization overhead costs, costs of pension and other postretirement benefits not directly allocated to the other sectors

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**Recent Developments**

On April 18, 2011, Philips and TPV Technology Limited ( TPV ) announced a long-term strategic partnership pursuant to which Philips will transfer its Television business to a newly established entity in which TPV will hold a 70% interest and Philips will hold the remaining 30% interest. As a result, the related results of the Television business, including transaction gains and losses, are shown separately in Philips financial statements under Discontinued operations. On February 22, 2012, the shareholders of TPV approved the transaction. Philips shareholders are not required to approve the transaction. The transaction remains subject to certain governmental and regulatory approvals. Philips expects the transaction to close in Q1 2012.

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**THE OFFERING**

*Please refer to Description of the Notes on page S-12 of this prospectus supplement and Description of Debt Securities on page 9 of the attached prospectus for more information about the notes.*

Issuer	Koninklijke Philips Electronics N.V.
Notes offered	<p>\$            in principal amount of    % Notes due (the            notes )</p> <p>\$            in principal amount of    % Notes due (the            notes )</p>
	<p>In this prospectus supplement we refer to the            notes and the notes, collectively as the    notes .</p>
Maturity date	<p>for the            notes and            for the            notes.</p>
Issue price	<p>notes:    % of face amount, plus accrued interest from            , 2012 to the date the notes are delivered to the purchasers.</p> <p>notes:    % of face amount, plus accrued interest from            , 2012 to the date the notes are delivered to the purchasers.</p>
Ranking	<p>The notes will be unsecured and unsubordinated obligations of Koninklijke Philips Electronics N.V. and will rank at least equally in right of payment among themselves and with all other present and future unsecured and unsubordinated obligations of Koninklijke Philips Electronics N.V.</p>
Interest	<p>The            notes will bear interest from            , 2012 at a fixed rate of    % per annum payable semi-annually</p> <p>The            notes will bear interest from            , 2012 at a fixed rate of    % per annum payable semi-annually</p>
Interest payment dates	<p>Interest on the notes will be paid semi-annually in arrears on and of            each year.</p>
First interest payment date	<p>, 2012.</p>
Regular record dates for interest	



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The 15th calendar date prior to each interest payment date, whether or not such day is a business day.

Payment of additional amounts

Subject to certain exceptions and limitations, we will pay such additional amounts under the notes as are necessary in order that the net payment by us of the principal and interest on the notes, after deduction for any present or future tax, assessment or governmental charge imposed by withholding with respect to any such payment, will not be less than the amount provided by the notes to be then due and payable. See Description of Debt Securities Additional Amounts in the attached prospectus.

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Optional redemption	We have the right to redeem each series of the notes, in whole or in part, at any time and from time to time at a redemption price equal to the greater of (i) 100% of the principal amount of the notes to be redeemed and (ii) as determined by the Independent Investment Banker (as defined in this Prospectus Supplement), the sum of the present values of the applicable Remaining Scheduled Payments (as defined in this prospectus supplement) discounted to the date of redemption on a semi-annual basis (assuming a 360-day year consisting of twelve 30-day months or, in the case of an incomplete month, the number of days elapsed) at the Treasury Rate (as defined in this prospectus supplement) plus, in the case of the notes, basis points and, in the case of the notes, basis points, together with, in each case, accrued and unpaid interest, if any, on the principal amount of the notes to be redeemed to the redemption date. See Description of the Notes Redemption Optional Redemption.
Repurchase Upon a Change of Control Offer	If we experience a Change of Control Triggering Event (as defined in this prospectus supplement), with respect to a series of notes we may be required to offer to purchase the notes of that series at a purchase price equal to 101% of their principal amount, plus accrued and unpaid interest, if any. See Description of the Notes Redemption Repurchase Upon a Change of Control Triggering Event.
Redemption for Tax Reasons	Under certain circumstances, each series of notes may be redeemed, in whole but not in part, at our option at a redemption price equal to 100% of the principal amount of the notes, together with any accrued but unpaid interest thereon to the date fixed for redemption, if we are required to pay certain additional amounts with respect to the notes. See Description of Debt Securities Redemption for Tax Reasons in the attached prospectus.
Covenants and Events of Default	<p>The terms and conditions of the notes provide for certain restrictions, including a limited negative pledge and restrictions on certain sale and leaseback transactions, and for certain events of default.</p> <p>There are no covenants restricting our ability to make payments, incur indebtedness, dispose of assets, issue and sell capital stock, enter into transactions with affiliates or engage in business other than our present business.</p> <p>For further information, see Description of Debt Securities Covenants and Description of Debt Securities Events of Default in the attached prospectus.</p>
Use of proceeds	We intend to use the net proceeds to redeem existing indebtedness with an outstanding principal amount of approximately \$ million and for general corporate purposes. See Use of Proceeds .

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Book-entry issuance, settlement and clearance	We will issue the notes in fully registered form in denominations of \$2,000 and in multiples of \$1,000 in excess thereof. Each series of notes will be represented by one or more global securities registered in the name of a nominee of DTC. You will hold beneficial interests in the notes through DTC and DTC and its direct and indirect participants will record your beneficial interest on their books. We will not issue certificated notes except in limited circumstances that we explain under Legal Ownership in the attached prospectus. Settlement of the notes will occur through DTC in same day funds. For information on DTC's book-entry system, see Clearance and Settlement in the attached prospectus.
Further issuances	We may, at our option, at any time and without the consent of the then existing noteholders issue additional notes in one or more transactions subsequent to the date of this prospectus supplement with terms (other than the issuance date, issue price and, possibly, the first interest payment date) identical to a series of notes issued hereby. These additional notes will be deemed to be part of the same series as the notes offered hereby and will provide the holders of these additional notes the rights to vote together with holders of the series of notes offered hereby.
Defeasance and Discharge	We may discharge our obligations to comply with any payment or other obligation on the notes by depositing funds or obligations issued by the United States government in an amount sufficient to provide for the timely payment of principal, interest and all other amounts due under the notes with the principal paying agent, as described under Description of Debt Securities Defeasance and Discharge in the attached prospectus.
Risk Factors	You should carefully consider all of the information in this prospectus supplement and the attached prospectus, which includes information incorporated by reference. In particular, you should evaluate the specific factors under Risk Factors on page S-8 of this prospectus supplement and on page 4 of the attached prospectus for risks involved with an investment in the notes and the risk factors included in the Annual Report on Form 20-F.
Trustee and Principal Paying Agent	Deutsche Bank Trust Company Americas.
Listing	We do not intend to list the notes on any securities exchange.
Governing Law	New York.
Timing and Delivery	We currently anticipate that delivery of the notes will occur on March , 2012.

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### **RISK FACTORS**

*We urge you to carefully review the risks described below, together with the risks described in the attached prospectus and any documents incorporated by reference to the attached prospectus, before you decide to buy securities. If any of these risks actually occur, our business, financial condition and results of operations could suffer, and the trading price and liquidity of the securities could decline, in which case you may lose all or part of your investment.*

#### **Risks relating to Philips business**

You should read Risk Factors in Philips Annual Report on Form 20-F for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2011, which is incorporated by reference in this prospectus supplement for information on risks relating to Philips business.

#### **Risks relating to an investment in the securities**

*We may be able to incur substantially more debt in the future.*

We may be able to incur substantial additional indebtedness in the future, including in connection with future acquisitions, some of which may be secured by our assets. The terms of the securities will not limit the amount of indebtedness we may incur. Any such incurrence of additional indebtedness could exacerbate the risks that holders of the securities now face.

*The securities lack a developed market.*

There can be no assurance regarding the future development of a market for the securities or the ability of holders of the securities to sell their securities or the price at which such holders may be able to sell their securities. If such a market were to develop, the securities could trade at prices that may be higher or lower than the initial offering price depending on many factors, including, among other things, prevailing interest rates, Philips operating results and the market for similar securities. The initial purchasers have advised us that they currently intend to make a market in the securities as permitted by applicable laws and regulations. However, the initial purchasers are not obligated to do so, and any such market-making activities with respect to the securities may be discontinued at any time without notice. Therefore, there can be no assurance as to the liquidity of any trading market for the securities or that an active public market for the securities will develop. See Underwriting.

*Direct creditors of our subsidiaries will generally have superior claims to cash flows from those subsidiaries.*

As a holding company, Koninklijke Philips Electronics N.V. depends upon cash flow received from its subsidiaries to meet its payment obligations under the securities. Since the creditors of any of our subsidiaries generally would have a right to receive payment that is superior to the parent company's right to receive payment from the assets of that subsidiary, holders of the securities will be effectively subordinated to creditors of the parent company insofar as cash flows from those subsidiaries are relevant to the securities. The terms and conditions of the securities do not limit the amount of liabilities that our group subsidiaries may incur. In addition, certain of our subsidiaries are or may become subject to statutory or contractual restrictions on their ability to pay dividends.

*We may not be able to repurchase the notes upon a change of control.*

Upon the occurrence of specific kinds of change of control events, each holder of notes will have the right to require us to repurchase all or any part of such holder's notes at a price equal to 101% of their principal amount, plus accrued and unpaid interest, if any, to the date of repurchase. The terms of our existing credit facilities and other financing arrangements may require repayment of amounts outstanding in the event of a change of control

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and limit our ability to fund the repurchase of the notes in certain circumstances. If we experience a Change of Control Triggering Event, there can be no assurance that we would have sufficient financial resources available to satisfy our obligations to repurchase the notes. Our failure to repurchase the notes as required under the Indenture governing the notes would result in a default under the Indenture, which could have material adverse consequences for us and the holders of the notes. See Description of the Notes Repurchase Upon a Change of Control Triggering Event .

*You may be unable to recover in civil proceedings for U.S. securities laws violations.*

Koninklijke Philips Electronics N.V. is organized under the laws of The Netherlands. Many of our assets are located outside the United States. In addition, most of the members of our Supervisory Board and Board of Management and our officers are residents of countries other than the United States. As a result, it may be impossible for investors to effect service of process within the United States upon us or these persons, or to enforce against us or them judgments obtained in U.S. courts predicated upon civil liability provisions of the U.S. securities laws. In addition, we cannot assure you that civil liabilities predicated upon the federal securities laws of the United States will be enforceable in The Netherlands. See Enforcement of Certain Civil Liabilities in the attached prospectus.

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**USE OF PROCEEDS**

We estimate that the net proceeds (after deducting underwriting discounts and commissions and estimated net offering expenses and including reimbursements to be paid by the underwriters to us) from the sale of the notes will be \$ . We intend to use the net proceeds to redeem our 4.625% Notes due 2013, of which \$ million is currently outstanding, and for general corporate purposes, which may include the retirement or redemption of further indebtedness from time to time. See Capitalization below.

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The following table sets forth our current and long-term liabilities and total capitalization as of December 31, 2011, and as adjusted to give effect to the issuance of the securities offered hereby and the application of a portion of the net proceeds thereof as described under "Use of Proceeds", each prepared on the basis of International Financial Reporting Standards as adopted by the European Union.

		<b>As at December 31, 2011</b>	
		<b>Actual</b>	<b>As Adjusted (unaudited)</b>
		<b>(In millions of Euros)</b>	
<b>Short-term debt:</b>			
	Short-term bank borrowings	422	
	Other short term loans	21	
	Current portion of long-term debt	139	
	<b>Total short term debt</b>	<b>582</b>	
<b>Long-term debt:</b>			
	Interest bearing long-term debt	3,278	
	Of which unsecured	3,278	
	Of which secured		
	Non-interest bearing long-term debt		
	<b>Total long-term debt</b>	<b>3,278</b>	
	<b>Non-controlling interest:</b>	<b>34</b>	
<b>Shareholders' equity:</b>			
	Issued and fully paid common share, par value EUR 0.20 per share	202	
	Treasury shares	(1,690)	
	Capital in excess of par value	813	
	Retained earnings	12,917	
	Revaluation reserve	70	
	Other reserves	43	
	<b>Total stockholders' equity</b>	<b>12,355</b>	
<b>Total debt and shareholders' equity:</b>		<b>16,215</b>	

The total outstanding off balance sheet credit-related guarantees provided by the issuer for the benefit of unconsolidated companies and third parties as at December 31, 2011 was EUR 39 million.

During January and February 2012, we conducted share repurchases for a consideration of EUR 106 million.

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**DESCRIPTION OF THE NOTES**

*The following is a summary of the material provisions of the notes and the Indenture (as described below) and supplements the more general description under Description of Debt Securities of the attached prospectus. To the extent that the following description is inconsistent with the terms described under Description of Debt Securities in the attached prospectus, the following description replaces that in the attached prospectus.*

*Copies of the Indenture and supplements thereto will be available for inspection during normal business hours at any time after the closing date of the offering of the notes at the offices of the Trustee (as defined below) at the address below. Any capitalized term used herein but not defined shall have the meaning assigned to such term in the Indenture.*

**General**

The notes and the notes will be issued in registered form and treated as two separate series of debt securities under an Indenture dated as of March 11, 2008, as supplemented from time to time (the Indenture), between Koninklijke Philips Electronics N.V. (the issuer) and Deutsche Bank Trust Company Americas, as trustee (the Trustee), 60 Wall Street, MS 2710, New York, New York 10005. The Indenture has been qualified under the U.S. Trust Indenture Act of 1939, as amended. In this Description of the Notes, the terms Holder and other similar terms refer to the registered holder of the applicable notes, and not to a beneficial owner of a book-entry interest in any notes, unless the context otherwise clearly requires.

**Principal, Maturity and Interest**

The notes will be unsecured and unsubordinated obligations of the issuer. The notes and the notes are initially issuable in aggregate principal amounts not to exceed \$ and \$, respectively, and will mature on and, respectively. The notes and the notes will bear interest at % and %, respectively, per annum from the date of the initial issuance of such notes or from the most recent interest payment date to which interest has been paid or provided for, payable semi-annually in arrears on and each year, commencing, 2012 (each, an interest payment date) to the person in whose name any such note or note, as applicable, is registered at the close of business on the fifteenth calendar day (whether or not a business day) prior to such interest payment date (each, a record date), notwithstanding any transfer or exchange of such notes subsequent to the record date and prior to such interest payment date, except that, if and to the extent the issuer shall default in the payment of the interest due on such interest payment date and the applicable grace period shall have expired, such defaulted interest may at the option of the issuer be paid to the persons in whose names notes are registered at the close of business on a subsequent record date (which shall not be less than ten days prior to the date of payment of such defaulted interest) established by notice given by mail by or on behalf of the issuer to the Holders (which term means registered holders) of the notes or the notes, as applicable, not less than 15 days preceding such subsequent record date. Interest will be computed on the basis of a 360-day year consisting of twelve 30-day months and in the case of an incomplete month, the number of days elapsed. If the date on which any interest payment or principal payment is to be made is not a business day and the place of payment of such interest or principal, such payment will be made on the next day which is a business day and the place of payment of such interest or principal without any further interest or other amounts being paid or payable in connection therewith. A business day means any day, other than Saturday or Sunday, that is neither a legal holiday nor a day on which banking institutions are authorized or required by law or regulation to close in New York City.

Unless previously purchased or redeemed by the issuer or any of its subsidiaries, and cancelled, the principal amount of the notes and the notes will mature and become due and payable on and respectively, in an amount equal, in each case, to their principal amount, with accrued and unpaid interest to such date.



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### **Form and Denomination**

The notes will be issued in fully registered form and only in denominations of \$2,000 and integral multiples of \$1,000 in excess thereof. The notes will be issued initially as global notes.

### **Further Issues**

The issuer may, from time to time, without notice to, or the consent of, the Holders of the notes, reopen each series of notes and create and issue additional notes having identical terms and conditions as the notes or the notes, as the case may be (or in all respects except for the issue date, issue price, payment of interest accruing prior to the issue date of such additional notes and/or the first payment of interest following the issue date of such additional notes) so that the additional notes are consolidated and form a single series of notes with the notes or the notes, as the case may be.

### **Status of the Notes**

The notes will be unsecured and unsubordinated obligations of the issuer and will rank pari passu in right of payment among themselves and with all other present and future unsecured and unsubordinated indebtedness of the issuer (save for certain obligations required to be preferred by law).

### **Payment of Additional Amounts**

The Netherlands may require the issuer to withhold amounts from payments on the principal or interest on the notes for taxes or any other governmental charges. If a withholding of this type is required the issuer may be required to pay you an additional amount so that the net amount you receive will be the amount specified in the note to which you are entitled. For more information on additional amounts and the situations in which the issuer must pay additional amounts, see Description of Debt Securities Payment of Additional Amounts in the attached prospectus.

### **Redemption**

#### ***Optional Redemption***

The issuer may redeem each series of notes in whole or in part, at the issuer's option, at any time and from time to time at a redemption price equal to the greater of (i) 100% of the principal amount of the notes to be redeemed and (ii) as determined by the Independent Investment Banker, the sum of the present values of the applicable Remaining Scheduled Payments discounted to the date of redemption (the redemption date) on a semi-annual basis (assuming a 360-day year consisting of twelve 30-day months or, in the case of an incomplete month, the number of days elapsed) at the Treasury Rate plus, in the case of the notes, basis points and, in the case of the notes, basis points, together with, in each case, accrued and unpaid interest on the principal amount of the notes to be redeemed to the redemption date. In connection with such optional redemption the following defined terms apply:

**Treasury Rate** means, with respect to any redemption date, the rate per annum equal to the semi-annual equivalent yield to maturity (computed as of the third business day immediately preceding that redemption date) of the Comparable Treasury Issue, assuming a price for the Comparable Treasury Issue (expressed as a percentage of its principal amount) equal to the Comparable Treasury Price for that redemption date.

**Comparable Treasury Issue** means the United States Treasury security selected by the Independent Investment Banker as being the most recently issued United States Treasury note or bond as displayed by Bloomberg LP (or any successor service) on screens PX1 through PX8 (or any other screens as may replace such screens on such service) that has a remaining term comparable to the remaining term of the notes to be redeemed.

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**Comparable Treasury Price** means, with respect to any redemption date, (i) the average of the bid and asked prices for the Comparable Treasury Issue (expressed in each case as a percentage of its principal amount) on the third business day preceding that redemption date, as set forth in the daily statistical release designated H.15 (519) (or any successor release) published by the Federal Reserve Bank of New York and designated Composite 3:30 p.m. Quotations for U.S. Government Notes or (ii) if such release (or any successor release) is not published or does not contain such prices on such business day, (A) the average of the Reference Treasury Dealer Quotations for that redemption date, after excluding the highest and lowest of such Reference Treasury Dealer Quotations or (B) if the Independent Investment Banker for the notes obtains fewer than four such Reference Treasury Dealer Quotations, the average of all such Quotations.

**Independent Investment Banker** means one of the Reference Treasury Dealers appointed by the issuer to act as the Independent Investment Banker .

**Reference Treasury Dealer** means each of Deutsche Bank Securities Inc., HSBC Securities (USA) Inc., J.P. Morgan Securities LLC, their respective successors and two other nationally recognized investment banking firms that are Primary Treasury Dealers specified from time to time by the issuer; provided, however, that if any of the foregoing shall cease to be a primary U.S. Government securities dealer in the United States (a Primary Treasury Dealer ), the issuer shall substitute therefor another nationally recognized investment banking firm that is a Primary Treasury Dealer.

**Reference Treasury Dealer Quotation** means, with respect to each Reference Treasury Dealer and any redemption date, the average, as determined by the Independent Investment Banker, of the bid and asked prices for the Comparable Treasury Issue (expressed in each case as a percentage of its principal amount) quoted in writing to the Independent Investment Banker by such Reference Treasury Dealer at 3:30 p.m., New York City time, on the third business day preceding that redemption date.

**Remaining Scheduled Payments** means, with respect to each note to be redeemed, the remaining scheduled payments of the principal thereof and interest thereon that would be due after the related redemption date but for such redemption; provided, however, that if that redemption date is not an interest payment date with respect to such notes, the amount of the next succeeding scheduled interest payment thereon will be reduced by the amount of interest accrued thereon to that redemption date.

Notice of any optional redemption will be given in accordance with Description of Debt Securities Notice in the attached prospectus at least 30 days but not more than 60 days before the redemption date to each Holder of the notes to be redeemed.

***Repurchase Upon a Change of Control Triggering Event***

Upon the occurrence of a Change of Control Triggering Event with respect to a series of notes, unless the issuer has exercised its right to redeem the notes of that series as described under Optional Redemption or Redemption for Tax Reasons, the terms of the notes provide that each Holder of the notes of that series will have the right to require the issuer to purchase all or a portion of such Holder's notes of that series (in integral multiples of \$1,000) pursuant to the offer described below (the Change of Control Offer ), at a purchase price equal to 101% of the principal amount thereof plus accrued and unpaid interest, if any, to the date of purchase, subject to the rights of Holders of the notes of that series on the relevant record date to receive interest due on the relevant interest payment date.

Within 60 days following the date upon which the Change of Control Triggering Event occurred, or at the issuer's option, prior to any Change of Control but after the public announcement of the pending Change of Control, the issuer will be required to send, by mail, a notice to each Holder of the notes of the applicable series, with a copy to the Trustee, which notice will govern the terms of the Change of Control Offer. Such notice will state, among other things, the purchase date, which must be no earlier than 30 days nor later than 60 days from the date such notice is mailed, other than as may be required by law (the Change of Control Payment Date ). The notice, if mailed prior to the date of consummation of the Change of Control, will state that the Change of

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Control Offer is conditioned on the Change of Control being consummated on or prior to the Change of Control Payment Date. Holders of the notes of the applicable series electing to have such notes purchased pursuant to a Change of Control Offer will be required to surrender such notes, with the form entitled "Option of Holder to Elect Purchase" on the reverse of each note completed, to the Trustee at the address specified in the notice, or transfer such notes to the Trustee by book-entry transfer pursuant to the applicable procedures of the paying agent, prior to the close of business on the third business day prior to the Change of Control Payment Date.

We will comply with the requirements of Rule 14e-1 under the Exchange Act and any other securities laws and regulations thereunder to the extent those laws and regulations are applicable in connection with the repurchase of the notes as a result of a Change of Control Triggering Event. To the extent that the provisions of any securities laws or regulations conflict with the Change of Control Triggering Event provisions of the indenture, we will comply with the applicable securities laws and regulations and will not be deemed to have breached our obligations under the Change of Control Triggering Event provisions of the indenture by virtue of such conflicts.

The issuer will not be required to make a Change of Control Offer if a third party makes such an offer in the manner, at the times and otherwise in compliance with the requirements for such an offer made by the issuer and such third party purchases all notes properly tendered and not withdrawn under its offer.

For purposes of the Change of Control Offer provisions of the notes, the following terms will be applicable:

*Change of Control* means the occurrence of any one of the following: (i) Control is acquired or held by any Person or any Persons acting in concert, within the meaning of Section 5:45, subsection 5 of the Dutch Act on financial supervision (*Wet op het financieel toezicht*) as to the exercise of Voting Stock or (ii) the issuer consolidates with, or merges with or into, any Person, or any Person consolidates with, or merges with or into, the issuer, in any such event pursuant to a transaction in which any of the outstanding Voting Stock of the issuer or such other Person is converted into or exchanged for cash, securities or other property, other than any such transaction where the shares of the Voting Stock of the issuer outstanding immediately prior to such transaction constitute, or are converted into or exchanged for, a majority of the Voting Stock of the surviving Person immediately after giving effect to such transaction, provided, however, that a Change of Control will not be deemed to have occurred solely as a result of the issuance or transfer, with the co-operation of the issuer's Supervisory Board, Board of Management or the issuer's general meeting of shareholders, as applicable, and, in each case, if required, of any preference shares in the issuer's share capital to the foundation Stichting Preferente Aandelen Philips or its successor.

*Change of Control Triggering Event* means, with respect to each series of notes, the notes of that series are rated below Investment Grade by each of the Rating Agencies on any date during the period (the "Trigger Period") commencing on the date of the first public announcement by the issuer of any Change of Control (or pending Change of Control) and ending 60 days following consummation of such Change of Control (which Trigger Period will be extended following consummation of a Change of Control for so long as any of the Rating Agencies has publicly announced that it is considering a possible ratings downgrade) provided that a Change of Control Triggering Event otherwise arising by virtue of a particular reduction in rating shall not be deemed to have occurred in respect of a particular Change of Control (and thus shall not be deemed a Change of Control Triggering Event) if the Rating Agencies making the reduction in rating to which this definition would otherwise apply do not announce or publicly confirm or inform the Trustee in writing at its request that the reduction was the result, in whole or in part, of any event or circumstance comprised of or arising as a result of, or in respect of, the applicable Change of Control (whether or not the applicable Change of Control shall have occurred at the time of the Change of Control Triggering Event). Notwithstanding the foregoing, no Change of Control Triggering Event will be deemed to have occurred in connection with any particular Change of Control unless and until such Change of Control has actually been consummated.

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*Control* means ownership of such a number of shares of Voting Stock carrying more than fifty per cent (50%) of the voting rights of the issuer.

*Investment Grade* means a rating of Baa3 or better by Moody's (or its equivalent under any successor rating category of Moody's); a rating of BBB- or better by S&P (or its equivalent under any successor rating category of S&P) or the equivalent investment grade credit rating from any replacement Rating Agency.

*Moody's* means Moody's Investors Service, Inc., a subsidiary of Moody's Corporation, and its successors.

*Person* means any individual, company, corporation, firm, partnership, joint venture, undertaking, association, organization, trust, state or agency of a state (in each case whether or not being a separate legal entity).

*Rating Agency* means each of Moody's and S&P; provided, that if any of Moody's or S&P ceases to provide rating services to issuers or investors, the issuer may appoint a nationally recognized statistical rating organization within the meaning of Rule 15c3-1(c)(2)(vi)(F) under the Exchange Act as a replacement for such Rating Agency as certified by the issuer to the Trustee.

*S&P* means Standard & Poor's Ratings Services, a division of The McGraw-Hill Companies, Inc., and its successors.

*Voting Stock* means shares in the issued share capital of the issuer carrying voting rights.

## **Defeasance and Discharge**

The issuer may release itself from payment or other obligations on the notes as described under Description of Debt Securities Defeasance and Discharge.

## **Regarding the Trustee**

Deutsche Bank Trust Company Americas will be the Trustee under the Indenture. The issuer and some of its subsidiaries maintain deposit accounts and conduct other banking transactions with the Trustee in the ordinary course of business.

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Deutsche Bank Securities Inc., HSBC Securities (USA) Inc. and J.P. Morgan Securities LLC are acting as joint book-running managers of the offering and as representatives of the underwriters named below. Subject to the terms and conditions stated in the underwriting agreement dated the date of this prospectus supplement (the underwriting agreement), each underwriter named below has severally agreed to purchase, and we have agreed to sell to that underwriter, the respective principal amounts of notes and notes set forth opposite the underwriter's name:

Underwriters	Principal amount of notes	Principal amount of notes
Deutsche Bank Securities Inc.	\$	\$
HSBC Securities (USA) Inc.	\$	\$
J.P. Morgan Securities LLC	\$	\$
 Total	 \$	 \$

The underwriting agreement provides that the obligations of the underwriters to purchase the notes included in this offering are subject to certain conditions. The underwriters are obligated to purchase all the notes if they purchase any of the notes.

The underwriters propose to offer some of the notes directly to the public at the public offering price set forth on the cover page of this prospectus supplement and some of the notes to dealers at the public offering price less a discount. Any notes sold by the underwriters to securities dealers may be sold at discounts from the applicable public offering prices of up to % of the principal amount of notes and % of the principal amount of notes. Any such securities dealers may resell any notes purchased from the underwriters to certain other brokers or dealers at discounts from the applicable public offering prices of up to % of the principal amount of notes and % of the principal amount of notes. If all the notes are not sold at the applicable public offering price, the underwriters may change such offering price and the other selling terms.

In connection with the offering, the underwriters may purchase and sell notes in the open market. Purchases and sales in the open market may include short sales, purchases to cover short positions and stabilizing purchases.

Short sales involve secondary market sales by the underwriters of a greater number of notes than they are required to purchase in the offering.

Covering transactions involve purchases of notes in the open market after the distribution has been completed in order to cover short positions.

Stabilizing transactions involve bids to purchase notes so long as the stabilizing bids do not exceed a specified maximum. The underwriters may also impose a penalty bid. This occurs when a particular underwriter repays to the underwriters a portion of the underwriting discount received by it because another underwriter has repurchased notes sold by or for the account of such underwriter in stabilizing or short covering transactions.

Purchases to cover short positions and stabilizing purchases, as well as other purchases by the underwriters for their own accounts, may have the effect of preventing or retarding a decline in the market price of the notes. They may also cause the price of the notes to be higher than the price that would otherwise exist in the open market in the absence of these transactions. The underwriters may conduct these transactions in the over-the-counter market or otherwise. If the underwriters commence any of these transactions, they may discontinue them at any time.



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The underwriters and their affiliates have performed certain investment and commercial banking or financial advisory services for us and our affiliates from time to time, for which they have received customary fees and commissions, and they expect to provide these services to us and our affiliates in the future, for which they expect to receive customary fees and commissions. In addition, certain of the underwriters or their affiliates may be holders of the notes that we plan to redeem using a portion of the net proceeds from the sale of notes in this offering (see "Use of Proceeds"), and certain of the underwriters or their affiliates are lenders under one or more of our credit facilities.

The underwriters have agreed to reimburse us for certain of our expenses associated with this offering. We estimate that our total expenses for this offering will be \$ \_\_\_\_\_.

It is expected that delivery of the notes will be made against payment therefor on or about the date specified in the last paragraph of the cover page of this prospectus supplement, which will be the \_\_\_\_\_ day following the date of the pricing of the notes (such settlement cycle being herein referred to as "T+ \_\_\_\_\_"). Trades in the secondary market generally are required to settle in three business days, unless the parties to any such trade expressly agree otherwise. Accordingly, purchasers who wish to trade notes on the date of pricing or the next business day will be required, by virtue of the fact that the notes initially will settle in T+ \_\_\_\_\_, to specify an alternate settlement cycle at the time of any such trade to prevent a failed settlement. Purchasers of notes who wish to trade certificates on the date of pricing or the next business day should consult their own advisors.

We have agreed to indemnify the underwriters against certain liabilities, including liabilities under the Securities Act of 1933, or to contribute to payments the underwriters may be required to make because of any of those liabilities.

### **Notice to Prospective Investors in the European Economic Area**

In relation to each member state of the European Economic Area that has implemented the Prospectus Directive (each, a "relevant member state"), with effect from and including the date on which the Prospectus Directive is implemented in that relevant member state (the "relevant implementation date"), an offer of notes described in this prospectus supplement may not be made to the public in that relevant member state prior to the publication of a prospectus in relation to the notes that has been approved by the competent authority in that relevant member state or, where appropriate, approved in another relevant member state and notified to the competent authority in that relevant member state, all in accordance with the Prospectus Directive, except that, with effect from and including the relevant implementation date, an offer of notes may be made to the public in that relevant member state at any time:

to any legal entity which is a qualified investor as defined in the Prospectus Directive;

to fewer than 100 or, if the relevant member state has implemented the relevant provisions of the 2010 PD Amending Directive, 150, natural or legal persons (other than qualified investors as defined in the Prospectus Directive), as permitted under the Prospectus Directive, subject to obtaining the prior consent of the underwriter nominated by us for this offer; or

in any other circumstances falling within Article 3(2) of the Prospectus Directive, provided that no such offer of notes shall require us nor the underwriters to publish a prospectus pursuant to Article 3 of the Prospectus Directive.

For purposes of this provision, the expression an "offer to the public" in relation to any notes in any relevant member state means the communication in any form and by any means of sufficient information on the terms of the offer and the notes to be offered so as to enable an investor to decide to purchase or subscribe to the notes, as the expression may be varied in that member state by any measure implementing the Prospectus Directive in that

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member state, the expression "Prospectus Directive" means Directive 2003/71/EC (and amendments thereto, including the 2010 PD Amending Directive, to the extent implemented in the relevant member state) and includes any relevant implementing measure in each relevant member state and the expression "2010 PD Amending Directive" means Directive 2010/73/EU.

This prospectus supplement has been prepared on the basis that all offers of the notes within the European Economic Area will be made pursuant to an exemption under Article 3(2) of the Prospectus Directive, as implemented in relevant member states of the European Economic Area, from the requirement to produce a prospectus for offers of the notes. Accordingly, any person making or intending to make any offer of the notes within the European Economic Area should only do so in circumstances in which no obligation arises for us, our affiliates or any of the underwriters to produce a prospectus for such offer. Neither we nor any of the underwriters have authorized, nor do we or they authorize, the making of any offer of the notes through any financial intermediary, other than offers made by the underwriters which constitute the final placement of the notes contemplated in this prospectus supplement.

### **Notice to Prospective Investors in the Netherlands**

Each dealer has represented and agreed, and each further dealer appointed under the program will be required to represent and agree, that as of January 1, 2012 it shall include in:

any offer of Notes to the public in the Netherlands other than an offer:

in respect of which a prospectus approved by the Netherlands Authority for the Financial Markets (Stichting Autoriteit Financiële Markten) (the "AFM") (or, where appropriate, by the competent authority in another Member State of the European Economic Area which has implemented the Prospectus Directive and notified to AFM in accordance with the Prospectus Directive) has been made generally available; or

only to qualified investors as defined in the Prospectus Directive; and

any advertisement relating to such an offer, and any document in which the prospect of such offer is held out that:

no prospectus approved by AFM has been or will be made generally available; and

such offer is not supervised by the AFM, in such manner as prescribed by the AFM from time to time.

### **Notice to Prospective Investors in the United Kingdom**

This prospectus supplement is only being distributed to, and is only directed at, persons in the United Kingdom that are (i) investment professionals falling within Article 19(5) of the Financial Services and Markets Act 2000 (Financial Promotion) Order 2005, as amended (the "Order") or (ii) high net worth entities, and other persons to whom it may lawfully be communicated, falling within Article 49(2)(a) to (d) of the Order (all such persons together being referred to as "relevant persons"). This prospectus supplement and its contents are confidential and should not be distributed, published or reproduced (in whole or in part) or disclosed by recipients to any other persons in the United Kingdom. This prospectus supplement is directed only at relevant persons, and any person in the United Kingdom that is not a relevant person should not act or rely on this document or any of its contents. Any investment or investment activity to which this prospectus supplement relates is available only to relevant persons and will be engaged in only with relevant persons.

### **Notice to Prospective Investors in Japan**



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The notes offered in this prospectus supplement have not been registered under the Securities and Exchange Law of Japan. The notes have not been offered or sold and will not be offered or sold, directly or indirectly, in

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Japan or to or for the account of any resident of Japan, except (i) pursuant to an exemption from the registration requirements of the Securities and Exchange Law and (ii) in compliance with any other applicable requirements of Japanese law.

### **Notice to Prospective Investors in Hong Kong**

The notes may not be offered or sold by means of any document other than (i) in circumstances which do not constitute an offer to the public within the meaning of the Companies Ordinance (Cap.32, Laws of Hong Kong), or (ii) to professional investors within the meaning of the Securities and Futures Ordinance (Cap.571, Laws of Hong Kong) and any rules made thereunder, or (iii) in other circumstances which do not result in the document being a prospectus within the meaning of the Companies Ordinance (Cap.32, Laws of Hong Kong), and no advertisement, invitation or document relating to the notes may be issued or may be in the possession of any person for the purpose of issue (in each case whether in Hong Kong or elsewhere), which is directed at, or the contents of which are likely to be accessed or read by, the public in Hong Kong (except if permitted to do so under the laws of Hong Kong) other than with respect to notes which are or are intended to be disposed of only to persons outside Hong Kong or only to professional investors within the meaning of the Securities and Futures Ordinance (Cap. 571, Laws of Hong Kong) and any rules made thereunder.

### **Notice to Prospective Investors in Singapore**

This prospectus has not been registered as a prospectus with the Monetary Authority of Singapore. Accordingly, this prospectus and any other document or material in connection with the offer or sale, or invitation for subscription or purchase, of the notes may not be circulated or distributed, nor may the notes be offered or sold, or be made the subject of an invitation for subscription or purchase, whether directly or indirectly, to persons in Singapore other than (i) to an institutional investor under Section 274 of the Securities and Futures Act, Chapter 289 of Singapore (the SFA), (ii) to a relevant person, or any person pursuant to Section 275(1A), and in accordance with the conditions, specified in Section 275 of the SFA or (iii) otherwise pursuant to, and in accordance with the conditions of, any other applicable provision of the SFA. Where the notes are subscribed or purchased under Section 275 by a relevant person which is: (a) a corporation (which is not an accredited investor) the sole business of which is to hold investments and the entire share capital of which is owned by one or more individuals, each of whom is an accredited investor; or (b) a trust (where the trustee is not an accredited investor) whose sole purpose is to hold investments and each beneficiary is an accredited investor, shares, debentures and units of shares and debentures of that corporation or the beneficiaries' rights and interest in that trust shall not be transferable for 6 months after that corporation or that trust has acquired the notes under Section 275 except: (1) to an institutional investor under Section 274 of the SFA or to a relevant person, or any person pursuant to Section 275(1A), and in accordance with the conditions, specified in Section 275 of the SFA; (2) where no consideration is given for the transfer; or (3) by operation of law.

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**CLEARANCE AND SETTLEMENT**

The notes will be issued in the form of registered global notes that will be deposited with DTC on the closing date. This means that we will not issue certificates to each holder. We will issue one global note with respect to each series of notes to DTC and DTC will keep a computerized record of its participants (for example, your broker) whose clients have purchased the notes. The participant will then keep a record of its clients who purchased the notes. Unless it is exchanged in whole or in part for a certificated note, a global note may not be transferred; except that DTC, its nominees, and their successors may transfer a global note as a whole to one another. We will not issue certificated notes except in limited circumstances that we explain under Legal Ownership Global Securities Special Situations When the Global Security Will Be Terminated in the attached prospectus.

Beneficial interests in the global notes will be shown on, and transfers of the global notes will be made only through, records maintained by DTC and its participants. A description of DTC and its procedures is set forth under Clearance and Settlement in the attached prospectus.

We will wire principal and interest payments to DTC's nominee. We and the Trustee will treat DTC's nominee as the owner of the global notes for all purposes. Accordingly, we, the Trustee and any paying agent will have no direct responsibility or liability to pay amounts due on the global notes to owners of beneficial interests in the global note.

It is DTC's current practice, upon receipt of any payment of principal or interest, to credit direct participants' accounts on the payment date according to their respective holdings of beneficial interest in the global note as shown on DTC's records. In addition, it is DTC's current practice to assign any consenting or voting right to direct participants whose accounts are credited with notes on a record date, by using an omnibus proxy. Payments by participants to owners of beneficial interest in the global note, and voting by participants, will be governed by the customary practices between the participants and owners of beneficial interest, as is the case with notes held for the account of customers registered in street name. However, payments will be the responsibility of the participants and not of DTC, the Trustee or us.

All payments of principal and interest will be made in immediately available funds, except as otherwise indicated in this section.

The notes have been accepted for clearance through DTC, Clearstream, Luxembourg and Euroclear. The ISIN for the notes is , and the CUSIP number for the notes is . The ISIN for the notes is , and the CUSIP number for the notes is .

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**VALIDITY OF SECURITIES**

The validity of the notes offered hereby will be passed upon by Sullivan & Cromwell LLP, U.S. counsel for Koninklijke Philips Electronics N.V., and Davis Polk & Wardwell LLP, U.S. counsel for the underwriters. Sullivan & Cromwell LLP and Davis Polk & Wardwell LLP may rely upon Marnix van Ginneken, General Counsel Corporate, Senior Vice President, Koninklijke Philips Electronics N.V. with respect to all matters of Netherlands law, and Marnix van Ginneken may rely upon Sullivan & Cromwell LLP with respect to all matters of New York law.

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PROSPECTUS

**KONINKLIJKE PHILIPS ELECTRONICS N.V.**

DEBT SECURITIES

We may offer and sell debt securities from time to time. Each time we sell any of the debt securities described in this prospectus, we will provide one or more supplements to this prospectus that will contain specific information about those securities and their offering. You should read this prospectus and any applicable prospectus supplement(s) carefully before you invest.

We may sell these debt securities to or through underwriters and also to other purchasers or through agents. The names of any underwriters or agents will be stated in an accompanying prospectus supplement.

*Investing in these securities involves certain risks. See **Risk Factors** on page 4.*

**Neither the Securities and Exchange Commission nor any other regulatory body has approved or disapproved of these securities or passed upon the accuracy or adequacy of this prospectus. Any representation to the contrary is a criminal offense.**

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### **PROSPECTUS SUMMARY**

*This summary highlights information contained elsewhere in this prospectus or incorporated by reference into this prospectus as further described below under "Where You Can Find More Information". This summary does not contain all the information that you should consider before investing in the securities being offered by this prospectus. You should carefully read the entire prospectus, the documents incorporated by reference into this prospectus, and the final term sheet, if any, and prospectus supplement relating to the particular securities being offered.*

#### **Koninklijke Philips Electronics N.V.**

Koninklijke Philips Electronics N.V. is a limited liability company incorporated under Netherlands law tracing its origins to Philips & Co., which was established in 1891. Koninklijke Philips Electronics N.V. is the holding company for, and part of, the Philips group of companies. Its shares are listed on Euronext Amsterdam and the New York Stock Exchange. Philips delivers products, systems and services in the fields of lighting, healthcare, lifestyle entertainment, health & wellness, domestic appliances and personal care. As of December 31, 2011, Philips had approximately 124 production sites in 26 countries and sales and service outlets in approximately 100 countries and some 121,888 employees. Philips' principal executive office is located at Breitner Center, Amstelplein 2, 1096 BC, Amsterdam, The Netherlands. Our telephone number is (011) 31 20 59 77 777.

#### **Debt Securities**

For any particular debt securities we may offer, the applicable final term sheet, if any, and the applicable prospectus supplement will describe the title of the debt securities, the aggregate principal or face amount and the purchase price; the stated maturity; the amount or manner of calculating the amount payable at maturity; the rate or manner of calculating the rate and the payment dates for interest, if any; the redemption or repurchase terms; and any other specific terms. The debt securities will be issued pursuant to an indenture, as supplemented from time to time, (the "Indenture") entered into between us and Deutsche Bank Trust Company Americas, which acts as Trustee (the "Trustee").

When we use the term "securities" or "debt securities" in this prospectus, we mean any of the securities we may offer with this prospectus. This prospectus, including this summary, describes the general terms that may apply to the securities; the specific terms of any particular securities that we may offer will be described in the prospectus supplement.

#### **Form of Securities**

The securities of a series may be offered in the form of one or more global certificates that will be deposited with a depositary, such as The Depository Trust Company, Euroclear Bank S.A./N.V. ("Euroclear") or Clearstream Banking, société anonyme ("Clearstream, Luxembourg"), as specified in the applicable prospectus supplement.

#### **Listing**

If any securities are to be listed or quoted on a securities exchange or quotation system, the applicable prospectus supplement will say so.

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**ABOUT THIS PROSPECTUS**

This prospectus is part of a registration statement that we filed on March 5, 2012 with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission using the shelf registration process. We may sell the securities described in this prospectus in one or more offerings.

This prospectus provides you with a general description of the securities that we may offer. Each time we sell securities, we will provide one or more prospectus supplements that will contain specific information about the terms of those securities and their offering. The prospectus supplements may also add, update or change information contained in this prospectus. You should read both this prospectus and any applicable prospectus supplement(s) together with the additional information described under the heading "Where You Can Find More Information" prior to purchasing any of the securities offered by this prospectus.

Unless the context otherwise requires, references in this prospectus to Koninklijke Philips Electronics N.V., the issuer, we, our, ours or us are references to Koninklijke Philips Electronics N.V. without its subsidiaries, and references to Philips or the Philips group are to Koninklijke Philips Electronics N.V. and its consolidated subsidiaries. The use of such terms may differ in the documents incorporated by reference herein and you should consult those documents regarding the meaning of such terms.



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**RISK FACTORS**

*We urge you to carefully review the risks described below, together with the risks described in the documents incorporated by reference into this prospectus, before you decide to buy securities. In particular, you should review the risks relating to Philips' business included in the Annual Report on Form 20-F, incorporated by reference herein. If any of these risks actually occur, Philips' business, financial condition and results of operations could suffer, and the trading price and liquidity of the securities could decline, in which case you may lose all or part of your investment.*

**Risks relating to an investment in the securities**

*We may be able to incur substantially more debt in the future.*

We may be able to incur substantial additional indebtedness in the future, including in connection with future acquisitions, some of which may be secured by Philips' assets. The terms of the securities will not limit the amount of indebtedness we may incur. Any such incurrence of additional indebtedness could exacerbate the risks that holders of the securities now face.

*The securities lack a developed market.*

There can be no assurance regarding the future development of a market for the securities or the ability of holders of the securities to sell their securities or the price at which such holders may be able to sell their securities. If such a market were to develop, the securities could trade at prices that may be higher or lower than the initial offering price depending on many factors, including, among other things, prevailing interest rates, Philips' operating results and the market for similar securities. The initial purchasers may make a market in the securities as permitted by applicable laws and regulations. However, the initial purchasers are not obligated to do so, and any such market-making activities with respect to the securities may be discontinued at any time without notice. Therefore, there can be no assurance as to the liquidity of any trading market for the securities or that an active public market for the securities will develop. See Plan of Distribution.

*Direct creditors of our subsidiaries will generally have superior claims to cash flows from those subsidiaries.*

As a holding company, Koninklijke Philips Electronics N.V. depends upon cash flow received from its subsidiaries to meet its payment obligations under the securities. Since the creditors of any of our subsidiaries generally would have a right to receive payment that is superior to the parent company's right to receive payment from the assets of that subsidiary, holders of the securities will be effectively subordinated to creditors of the parent company insofar as cash flows from those subsidiaries are relevant to the securities. The terms and conditions of the securities do not limit the amount of liabilities that our group subsidiaries may incur. In addition, certain of our subsidiaries are or may become subject to statutory or contractual restrictions on their ability to pay dividends.

*You may be unable to recover in civil proceedings for U.S. securities laws violations.*

Koninklijke Philips Electronics N.V. is organized under the laws of The Netherlands. Many of our assets are located outside the United States. In addition, most of the members of our Supervisory Board, Board of Management and officers are residents of countries other than the United States. As a result, it may be impossible for investors to effect service of process within the United States upon us or these persons, or to enforce against us or them judgments obtained in U.S. courts predicated upon civil liability provisions of the U.S. securities laws. In addition, we cannot assure you that civil liabilities predicated upon the federal securities laws of the United States will be enforceable in The Netherlands. See Enforceability of Civil Liabilities.

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### **WHERE YOU CAN FIND MORE INFORMATION**

Koninklijke Philips Electronics N.V. is subject to the informational reporting requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (the Exchange Act ) applicable to foreign private issuers and files or furnishes annual, half yearly and special reports and other information with the SEC. You may read and copy any document that Koninklijke Philips Electronics N.V. files with the SEC at the SEC's public reference room at 100 F Street, N.E., Washington, D.C. 20549. In addition, Koninklijke Philips Electronics N.V.'s SEC filings are available to the public at the SEC's web site at <http://www.sec.gov>. For further information, please call the SEC at 1-800-SEC-0330 or log on to <http://www.sec.gov>. However, if we satisfy the applicable conditions set forth in SEC rules, we may seek to suspend or terminate our Exchange Act reporting obligations.

Koninklijke Philips Electronics N.V.'s shares are listed on Euronext Amsterdam and the New York Stock Exchange, the latter in the form of Shares of New York Registry. You can consult reports and other information about Koninklijke Philips Electronics N.V. that are filed pursuant to the rules of Euronext Amsterdam and the New York Stock Exchange at these exchanges.

### **INCORPORATION BY REFERENCE**

We have filed with the SEC a registration statement on Form F-3 relating to the securities covered by this prospectus. This prospectus is a part of the registration statement and does not contain all the information in the registration statement. Whenever a reference is made in this prospectus to a contract or other document of the issuer, the reference is only a summary and you should refer to the exhibits that are a part of the registration statement for a copy of the contract or other document. You may review a copy of the registration statement at the SEC's public reference room in Washington, D.C., as well as through the SEC's Internet site.

The SEC allows us to incorporate by reference the information we file with them, which means that:

incorporated documents are considered part of this prospectus;

we can disclose important information to you by referring to those documents; and

information that we file with the SEC in the future and incorporate by reference herein will automatically update and supersede information in this prospectus and information previously incorporated by reference herein.

The information that we incorporate by reference is an important part of this prospectus.

Each document incorporated by reference is current only as of the date of such document, and the incorporation by reference of such documents shall not create any implication that there has been no change in Philips' affairs since the date thereof or that the information contained therein is current as of any time subsequent to its date. Any statement contained in such incorporated documents shall be deemed to be modified or superseded for the purpose of this prospectus to the extent that a subsequent statement contained in another document we incorporate by reference at a later date modifies or supersedes that statement. Any such statement so modified or superseded shall not be deemed, except as so modified or superseded, to constitute a part of this prospectus.

We incorporate by reference the Annual Report on Form 20-F of Koninklijke Philips Electronics N.V. for the year ended December 31, 2011 (the Annual Report on Form 20-F ) (File No. 001-05146-01), filed with the SEC on February 24, 2012, the Report on Form 6-K filed with the SEC on March 5, 2012 (which sets forth our consolidated capitalization) and any future filing made with the SEC under Sections 13(a), 13(c), 14 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 after the date of this prospectus and until this offering is completed. Any report on Form 6-K that we furnish to the SEC after the date of this prospectus (or portions thereof) is incorporated by reference in this prospectus only to the extent that the report expressly states that we incorporate it (or such portions) by reference in this prospectus.

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You may also request a copy of documents incorporated by reference at no cost, by contacting us at the following address and phone number:

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The Annual Report on Form 20-F and any other information incorporated by reference is considered to be a part of this prospectus. The information in this prospectus, to the extent applicable, automatically updates and supersedes the information in our Annual Report on Form 20-F.

You should rely only on the information that we incorporate by reference or provide in this prospectus or any applicable prospectus supplement(s). We have not authorized anyone to provide you with different information. We are not making an offer of these securities in any jurisdiction where the offer is not permitted. You should not assume that the information in this prospectus or any prospectus supplement is accurate as of any date other than the date on the front of those documents.

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**FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS**

In order to utilize the Safe Harbor provisions of the United States Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995, we are providing the following cautionary statement. This prospectus, including documents incorporated by reference, in particular, among other statements, certain statements in Item 4 Information on the Company in the Annual Report on Form 20-F with regard to management objectives, market trends, market standing, product volumes, business risks and the implementation of the Accelerate! program, the statements in Item 8 Financial Information in the Annual Report on Form 20-F relating to legal proceedings, the statements in Item 5 Operating and financial review and prospects in the Annual Report on Form 20-F with regard to trends in results of operations, margins, overall market trends, risk management, exchange rates and statements in Item 11 Quantitative and qualitative disclosures about market risks in the Annual Report on Form 20-F relating to risk caused by derivative positions, interest rate fluctuations and other financial exposure, may contain certain forward-looking statements with respect to the financial condition, results of operations and businesses of Philips and certain of the plans and objectives of Philips with respect to these items. These statements may generally, but not always, be identified by the use of words such as anticipates, assumes, believes, estimates, expects, should, will, will likely result, forecast, outlook, projects, may or similar expressions. By their nature, forward-looking statements involve risk and uncertainty because they relate to events that depend on circumstances that will occur in the future. There are a number of factors that could cause actual results and developments to differ materially from those expressed or implied by these forward-looking statements. These factors include but are not limited to:

Dutch and global economic and business conditions;

developments within the eurozone;

the successful implementation of Philips strategy, and its ability to realize the benefits of this strategy;

Philips ability to develop and market new products;

changes in legislation;

legal claims;

changes in exchange and interest rates;

changes in tax rates, pension costs, actuarial assumptions raw materials and employee costs;

Philips ability to identify and complete successful acquisitions and to integrate those acquisitions into our business;

Philips ability to successfully exit certain businesses or restructure its operations;

the rate of technological changes, political, economic and other developments in countries where Philips operates; and

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industry consolidation and competition.

Furthermore a review of certain of the reasons why actual results and developments may differ materially from the expectations disclosed or implied within forward-looking statements can be found under Item 3D Risk factors in the Annual Report on Form 20-F. We also suggest that you review Item 5 Operating and financial review and prospects in the Annual Report on Form 20-F. All subsequent written or oral forward-looking statements attributable to the issuer or any member of the Philips Group or any persons acting on their behalf are expressly qualified in their entirety by the factors referred to above. Neither Philips nor any of its affiliates intends to update these forward-looking statements.

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**USE OF PROCEEDS**

Unless otherwise indicated in an accompanying prospectus supplement, we will use the net proceeds from the sale of the securities for general corporate purposes. General corporate purposes may include working capital, the repayment of existing debt (including debt of acquired companies), for financing capital investments or acquisitions and any other purposes that may be stated in a prospectus supplement.

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**DESCRIPTION OF DEBT SECURITIES**

The following is a summary of the general terms of the debt securities. It sets forth possible terms and conditions for each series of debt securities. Each time that the issuer offers debt securities, it will prepare and file a prospectus supplement with the SEC, which you should read carefully. The prospectus supplement may contain additional terms and provisions of those securities. If there is any inconsistency between the terms and conditions presented here and those in the prospectus supplement, those in the prospectus supplement will apply and will replace those presented here.

The debt securities of any series will be the unsecured obligations of the issuer, and will rank equally with all of its other unsecured and unsubordinated obligations.

The issuer will issue the debt securities under the Indenture between it and Deutsche Bank Trust Company Americas as Trustee, which may be supplemented or amended from time to time. The terms of the debt securities include those stated in the Indenture, and those made part of the Indenture by reference to the Trust Indenture Act. You should read the Indenture and any supplements or amendments thereto. The issuer has filed a copy of the Indenture, as an exhibit to the registration statement, of which this prospectus is a part.

Because this section is a summary, it does not describe every aspect of the debt securities in detail. This summary is subject to, and qualified by reference to, all of the definitions and provisions of both the Indenture and each series of debt securities. Certain terms, unless otherwise defined herein, have the meaning given to them in the Indenture. The terms **Holder** and other similar terms refer to the **registered holder** of the applicable notes, and not to a beneficial owner of a book-entry interest in any notes, unless the context otherwise clearly requires.

**General**

The debt securities are not deposits and are not insured by any regulatory body of the United States or The Netherlands.

Deutsche Bank Trust Company Americas acts as the Trustee under the Indenture. The Trustee has two principal functions:

First, it can enforce your rights against the issuer if it defaults on debt securities issued under the Indenture, subject to certain limitations described in the Indenture; and

Second, the Trustee performs administrative duties for the issuer, such as sending you interest payments, transferring your debt securities to a new buyer if you sell and sending you notices.

The Indenture does not limit the amount of debt securities that the issuer may issue. The issuer may issue the debt securities in one or more series, or as units comprised of two or more related series. The prospectus supplement will indicate for each series or for two or more related series of debt securities:

the title of the series of debt securities;

the issue price;

any limit on the aggregate principal amount of the series of debt securities;

any stock exchange on which the issuer will list the series of debt securities;

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the date or dates on which the issuer will pay the principal of the series of debt securities;

the rate or rates, which may be fixed or variable, per annum at which the series of debt securities will bear interest, if any, and the date or dates from which that interest, if any, will accrue;

the dates of which interest, if any, on the series of debt securities will be due and payable and the regular record dates for the interest payment dates;

any mandatory or optional sinking funds or analogous provisions;



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provisions for redemption at the option of the Holder or at the option of the issuer;

the date, if any, after which and the price or prices at which the series of debt securities may, in accordance with any optional or mandatory redemption provisions that are not described in this prospectus, be redeemed and the other detailed terms and provisions of those optional or mandatory redemption provisions, if any;

the terms under which any series of debt securities will be convertible into, or exchangeable for, other securities, including equity securities;

the denominations in which the debt securities will be issuable;

the currency of payment of principal and any premium or interest on the series of debt securities if other than U.S. dollars and the manner of determining the equivalent amount in U.S. dollars;

if applicable, any index the issuer will use to determine the amount of any payments of, premium, if any, and interest on the series of debt securities;

the applicability of the provisions described later under **Defeasance and Discharge** **Covenant Defeasance** ;

if the series of debt securities will be issuable in whole or part in the form of a global security as described under **Legal Ownership** , and the depository or its nominee with respect to the series of debt securities, and any special circumstances under which the global security may be registered for transfer or exchange in the name of a person other than the depository or its nominee; and

any other special features of the series of debt securities.

The issuer may sell debt securities that bear no interest or that bear interest at a rate below the prevailing market interest rate or at a discount to their stated principal amount ( **discount securities** ). It may also denominate securities in a currency other than U.S. dollars. The relevant prospectus supplement will describe any special United States federal income tax considerations applicable to securities issued with original issue discount or to debt securities denominated in a currency other than U.S. dollars.

Holders of debt securities have no voting rights except as summarized below under **Modification and Waiver** .

### **Form of Debt Securities**

Debt securities will be issued only in fully registered form and may be represented in whole or in part by one or more global securities. Each debt security, including a global debt security, will be represented by a certificate in registered form and the person or entity named in the certificate is the holder.

### **Payment of Additional Amounts**

The issuer will pay any amounts to be paid by it on the debt securities without deduction or withholding for, or on account of, any and all present or future income, stamp and other taxes, levies, imposts, duties, charges, fees, deductions or withholdings ( **taxes** ) now or hereafter imposed, levied, collected, withheld or assessed by or on behalf of The Netherlands or any political subdivision or authority of The Netherlands that has the power to tax, unless the deduction or withholding is required by law. If at any time a taxing jurisdiction of The Netherlands requires the issuer to deduct or withhold taxes, the issuer will pay such additional amounts of, or in respect of, the principal of, any premium, and any interest, or other amounts to which a holder is entitled on the debt securities ( **Additional Amounts** ) as are necessary so that the net amounts paid to the holders, after the deduction or withholding, shall equal the amounts which would have been payable had no such deduction or withholding

been required. However, the issuer will not pay Additional Amounts for taxes in any of the following circumstances:

- (i) the tax or charge is imposed only because the Holder, or a fiduciary, settlor, beneficiary or member or shareholder of, or possessor of a power over, the Holder, if the Holder is an estate, trust, partnership or

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corporation, was or is connected to the taxing jurisdiction or otherwise than through holding the debt securities. These connections include, but are not limited to, where the Holder or related party: (a) is or has been a citizen or resident of the jurisdiction; (b) is or has been engaged in trade or business in the jurisdiction; (c) has or had a permanent establishment in the jurisdiction; or (d) has, or has had, a substantial interest in the issuer's share capital;

- (ii.) the tax or charge is imposed due to the presentation of a debt security, if presentation is required, for payment on a date more than 30 days after the security became due or after the payment was provided for, whichever occurs later;
- (iii.) the tax is an estate, inheritance, gift, sale, transfer, personal property or similar tax, assessment or other governmental charge;
- (iv.) the tax, assessment or governmental charge is payable in a manner that does not involve withholding;
- (v.) the tax, assessment or governmental charge is imposed or withheld because the Holder or beneficial owner failed to comply with any of the issuer's requests for the following that the statutes, regulations or administrative practices of the taxing jurisdiction require as a precondition to exemption from all or part of such withholding: (a) to provide information about the nationality, residence, or identity of the Holder or beneficial owner; or (b) to make a declaration or satisfy any other information requirements;
- (vi.) the withholding or deduction is imposed pursuant to European Union Directive 2003/48/EC on the taxation of savings or any law or agreement implementing or complying with, or introduced to conform to, such Directive;
- (vii.) the withholding or deduction is imposed on a Holder or beneficial owner who could have avoided such withholding or deduction by presenting its debt securities to another paying agent in a member state of the European Union, or
- (viii.) the Holder is a fiduciary or partnership or an entity that is not the sole beneficial owner of the payment of the principal of, or any interest on, any security, and the laws of the taxing jurisdiction require the payment to be included in the income of a beneficiary or settlor for tax purposes with respect to such fiduciary or a member of such partnership or a beneficial owner who would not have been entitled to such additional amounts had it been the holder of such security.

Whenever the issuer refers in this prospectus to the payment of the principal of, any premium, or any interest, or other amounts to which a Holder is entitled, if any, on, or in respect of, any debt securities, the issuer means to include the payment of Additional Amounts to the extent that, in context, Additional Amounts are, were or would be payable.

## **Redemption**

### ***General***

Upon presentation of any debt security redeemed in part only, the issuer will execute and the Trustee will authenticate and deliver to or on the order of the holder thereof, at the expense of the issuer, a new debt security or debt securities, of authorized denominations, in principal amount equal to the unredeemed portion of the debt security so presented.

On or before any redemption date, the issuer shall deposit with the Trustee money sufficient to pay the redemption price of and accrued interest on the debt securities to be redeemed on such date. If less than all the debt securities are to be redeemed, the debt securities to be redeemed shall be selected by the Trustee by such method as the Trustee shall deem fair and appropriate and is consistent with the rules of The Depository Trust Company, or DTC.

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### ***Redemption for Tax Reasons***

The issuer will have the option to redeem the debt securities of any series upon not less than 30 nor more than 60 days' notice at any time, if the issuer determines that it will or would be required to pay holders Additional Amounts, and it cannot avoid such payment by reasonable measures available to it, as a result of: (i) a change in or amendment to the laws or regulations of The Netherlands (or of any political subdivision or taxing authority thereof or therein), or (ii) a change in an official application or interpretation of those laws or regulations, including a decision of any court or tribunal, in each case which becomes effective (1) in the case of the issuer, on or after the earliest issue date of any debt security of such series or (2) in the case of a successor company, on or after the date such successor assumes the obligation under the debt securities.

In each case, before the issuer gives a notice of redemption, it shall be required to deliver to the Trustee an officer's certificate confirming that the issuer is entitled to exercise its right of redemption. The redemption must be made in respect of all, but not some, of the debt securities of the relevant series. The redemption price will be equal to 100% of the principal amount of such debt securities together with any accrued but unpaid interest to the date fixed for redemption.

### **Covenants**

#### ***Restrictions on Liens***

Some of the issuer's property may be subject to a mortgage or other legal mechanism that gives its lenders preferential rights in that property over other lenders, including the holders, or over the issuer's general creditors if the issuer fails to pay them back. These preferential rights are called liens. The issuer promises that it and its restricted subsidiaries will not become obligated on any new debt for borrowed money that is secured by a lien on any of its principal properties or on any shares of stock of any of its restricted subsidiaries, unless it grants an equivalent or higher-ranking lien on the same property to the holders.

The issuer does not need to comply with this restriction if the amount of all debt that would be secured by liens on its principal properties and the shares of stock of its restricted subsidiaries, excluding debt secured by certain specified types of liens (including those listed below), is less than 15% of the issuer's consolidated shareholders' equity.

This restriction on liens applies only to liens for borrowed money. For example, liens imposed by operation of law, such as liens to secure statutory obligations for taxes or workers' compensation benefits, or liens the issuer creates to secure obligations to pay legal judgments or surety bonds, would not be covered by this restriction.

This restriction on liens also does not apply to debt secured by a number of different types of liens and issuer can disregard this debt when it calculates the limits imposed by this restriction. These types of liens that the issuer can disregard include the following:

any lien existing on or before the date of the Indenture;

judgment liens;

any lien arising by operation of law and not securing amounts more than ninety days overdue or otherwise being contested in good faith;

any lien subsisting over any principal property, shares of stock of any restricted subsidiary (that becomes a restricted subsidiary after the date of the Indenture) subsisting prior to the date of such subsidiary becoming a restricted subsidiary, provided that such lien was not created in contemplation of such subsidiary becoming a restricted subsidiary;

any lien on a principal property, shares or title documents for such property, shares of stock of any restricted subsidiary that the issuer or any restricted subsidiary acquired as security for, or for indebtedness incurred, to finance all or part of the price of its

acquisition, development, redevelopment, modification or improvement;

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any lien over any principal property, or title documents for such property, shares of stock of any restricted subsidiary that the issuer or any restricted subsidiary acquired subject to the lien;

any lien to secure indebtedness for borrowed money incurred in connection with a specifically identifiable project where the lien relates to a principal property for which such project has been undertaken and where the recourse of the creditors relating to the indebtedness is limited to the project and principal property;

any lien incurred or deposits made in the ordinary course of business including but not limited to: (i) any mechanics , materialsmens , carriers , workmen , vendors or similar lien, (ii) any lien incurred or deposits made securing amounts in connection with workers compensation, unemployment insurance and other types of social security, and (iii) any easements or rights-of-way restrictions and other similar charges;

any lien or deposits securing the performance of tenders, bids, leases, statutory obligations, surety bonds and appeal bonds, government contracts, performance and return-of-money bonds and other similar obligations incurred in the ordinary course of business;

any lien in the issuer s principal property or that of any restricted subsidiary in favor of the U.S. federal or any state government or the government of The Netherlands or the European Community or any instrumentality or agency of any of them, securing the issuer s obligations or those of any restricted subsidiary as a result of any contract or payment owed to such government, instrumentality or agency pursuant to applicable laws, rules, regulations or statutes;

any lien securing taxes or assessments or other applicable governmental charges or levies;

any lien securing industrial revenue, development or similar bonds issued by or for the benefit of the issuer or any of its restricted subsidiaries, provided that the industrial revenue, development or similar bonds are non-recourse to the issuer or any restricted subsidiary;

any lien on the issuer s favor or in favor of any of its subsidiaries; and

any extension, renewal or replacement or successive extensions, renewals or replacements, as a whole or in part, of any lien included earlier in this list, for amounts not exceeding the principal amount of the borrowed money secured by the lien which is to be so extended, renewed or replaced provided that the extension, renewal, or replacement lien is limited to all or part of the same property, including improvements, that secured the lien to be extended, renewed or replaced.

Principal property means a building, structure or other facility, and the land on which it is erected and fixtures comprising a part thereof, used primarily for manufacturing or processing and located in the United States or The Netherlands and that the issuer or a restricted subsidiary owns or leases. The net book value of the property must exceed 2% of the issuer s consolidated shareholders equity. Any property or portion of any property is not a principal property if the issuer s board of management: (i) does not view such property or such portion thereof as materially important to the total business conducted by the issuer and its subsidiaries as an entirety; or (ii) does not view such portion of the property as materially important to the use or operation of the property. The issuer and its subsidiaries currently do not have any principal property.

Restricted subsidiary means any subsidiary (i) substantially all of the physical properties of which are located, or substantially all of the operations of which are conducted, within the United States or The Netherlands and (ii) which owns a principal property, provided however, that the term Restricted subsidiary shall not include any subsidiary which is primarily engaged in leasing or in financing installment receivables or which is principally engaged in financing the operations of the issuer and/or its consolidated subsidiaries.

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Consolidated shareholders' equity means, with respect to the issuer and its subsidiaries considered as an entirety, the sum of the amounts described in the issuer's most recent audited consolidated balance sheet as minority interests and stockholders' equity (or such other terms as may be used by the issuer to describe the equity of Philips or stockholders' equity of Philips determined in accordance with its accounting policies), in

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conformity with International Financial Reporting Standards as adopted by the European Union ( IFRS ) or, if the issuer does not prepare financial statements under IFRS, the body of generally accepted accounting principles, as applied by the issuer, on the basis of which the issuer prepares its primary financial statements.

Consolidated shareholders' equity will also be deemed to include any capital securities of the issuer or similar instruments issued from time to time, provided that the terms of such capital securities or similar instruments do not require the issuer, or permit the holder thereof to require the issuer, to repay, redeem or repurchase such securities or instruments for any consideration other than securities constituting consolidated shareholders' equity.

Subsidiary means a corporation (i) more than 50% of the outstanding voting stock or equity interest of which is owned, directly or indirectly, by the issuer or by one or more other subsidiaries, or by the issuer and one or more other subsidiaries or (ii) which is fully consolidated into the issuer's financial statements prepared in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards as adopted by the European Union ( IFRS ) or, if the issuer does not prepare financial statements under IFRS, the body of generally accepted accounting principles, as applied by the issuer, on the basis of which the issuer prepares its primary financial statements. For the purposes of this definition, voting stock means stock which ordinarily has voting power for the election of directors, whether at all times or only so long as no senior class of stock has such voting power by reason of any contingency.

### ***Restrictions on Sales and Leasebacks***

Neither the issuer nor any of its restricted subsidiaries will enter into any sale and leaseback transaction involving a principal property unless it complies with this covenant. A sale and leaseback transaction is an arrangement between the issuer or a restricted subsidiary and a bank, insurance company or other lender or investor where the issuer or its restricted subsidiary leases a principal property that the issuer or its restricted subsidiary has owned for more than six months and which has been sold to a lender or investor or to any person to whom the lender or investor has advanced funds on the security of the principal property.

The issuer can comply with this covenant in either of two different ways. First, it will be in compliance if the issuer or its restricted subsidiary could grant a lien on the principal property in an amount equal to the indebtedness attributable to the sale and leaseback transaction without being required to grant an equivalent or higher-ranking lien to Holders under the restriction on liens described above.

Second, the issuer can comply if it invests an amount equal to at least the net proceeds of the sale of the principal property that the issuer or its restricted subsidiary leases in the transaction or the fair value of that property, whichever is greater. This amount must be invested in any principal property or used to retire indebtedness for money that the issuer or its restricted subsidiaries borrowed, incurred or assumed and that either has a maturity of 12 months or more from the date of incurrence of the indebtedness or has a maturity of less than 12 months from that date but is by its terms renewable or extendible beyond 12 months from that date at the option of the borrower, within one year of the transaction.

This restriction on sales and leasebacks does not apply to any sale and leaseback transaction that is between the issuer and one of its subsidiaries, or between one of the issuer's restricted subsidiaries and either the issuer or one of its other subsidiaries. It also does not apply to any lease with a term, including renewals, of three years or less.

### **Default and Related Matters**

#### ***Ranking***

The debt securities are not secured by any of the issuer's property or assets. Accordingly, your ownership of debt securities means you are one of the issuer's unsecured creditors. The debt securities are not subordinated to any of its other debt obligations and therefore they rank equally with all of the issuer's other unsecured and unsubordinated indebtedness.



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### ***Events of Default***

The following will be Events of Default (each an Event of Default ) with respect to the applicable debt securities:

(i) the issuer fails to pay principal or any premium on any security of that series when due and payable (other than, in limited circumstances, on account of an administrative error whether by the issuer or a bank involved in transferring the funds); or

(ii) the issuer fails to pay any interest or Additional Amounts on any debt securities of that series when due and payable, and the failure continues for 30 days; or

(iii) the issuer fails to perform or otherwise breaches any of its covenants in respect of the applicable debt securities or Indenture (other than those described in paragraphs (i) and (ii) above), and continuance of such default or breach for a period of 60 days after there has been given a written notice, by registered or certified mail, to the issuer by the Trustee or to the issuer and the Trustee by the Holders of at least 25% in principal amount of the outstanding debt securities affected thereby, specifying such default or breach and requiring it to be remedied and stating that such notice is a Notice of Default under the debt securities; or

(iv) default in the payment of the principal of any Capital Market Indebtedness in an aggregate amount exceeding \$75 million (or its equivalent in any other currency or currencies) when such Capital Market Indebtedness becomes due and payable at maturity, or becomes due and payable prior to the stated maturity thereof as a result of the occurrence of a default if (a) such default shall continue unremedied or unwaived for more than 15 days following the receipt by the issuer from the relevant holder of such Capital Market Indebtedness of such notice of default or, in the case that no notice of default is required in respect thereof, such default is not remedied or waived within a reasonably practicable period, (b) the time for payment of such amount has not been expressly extended and (c) affirmative action to demand for payment of such Capital Market Indebtedness has been taken and not withdrawn for five days; *provided*, that if such default under such Capital Market Indebtedness shall be remedied or cured by the issuer or waived by the holders of such Capital Market Indebtedness, then the Event of Default hereunder by reason thereof shall be deemed to be likewise to have been remedied, cured or waived without any further action; and *provided further*, that no Event of Default hereunder shall be deemed to exist in a case where the issuer is prevented or delayed, directly or indirectly, by a government or other authority from fulfilling its obligation under the relevant Capital Market Indebtedness; or

(v) the issuer applies for bankruptcy or is adjudicated bankrupt or suffers the appointment of an administrator or liquidator by order of a court of competent jurisdiction or applies for (provisional) suspension of payments ( *voorlopige surséance van betaling* ) or is wound up or if the issuer offers a compromise to all its creditors or negotiates with all its creditors another agreement relating to its payment difficulties, or if such measures are officially decreed.

Each series of debt securities will provide that if an Event of Default occurs and is continuing, then and in each and every such case, unless the principal of all the applicable series of debt securities shall have already become due and payable, the Holders of not less than 25% in aggregate principal amount of the applicable series of debt securities then outstanding, by notice in writing to the issuer and to the Trustee, may declare the entire principal amount of all the applicable debt securities in the series issued pursuant to the Indenture, and interest accrued and unpaid thereon, if any, to be due and payable immediately, and upon any such declaration the same shall become immediately due and payable, without any further declaration or other act on the part of any Holder. Under certain circumstances, the Holders of a majority in aggregate principal amount of the applicable debt securities in a particular series then outstanding, by written notice to the issuer and the Trustee, may waive defaults and rescind and annul declarations of acceleration and its consequences, but no such waiver or rescission and annulment shall extend to or shall affect any subsequent default or shall impart any right consequent thereon.

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The Holders of a majority in aggregate principal amount of the applicable debt securities in a particular series then outstanding will have the right to direct the time, method and place of conducting any proceeding for any remedy available to the Trustee, or exercising any trust or power conferred on the Trustee, subject to certain limitations specified in the Indenture.

The issuer will furnish to the Trustee every year a written statement of certain of its officers certifying that, to their knowledge, the issuer is in compliance with the Indenture and the debt securities, or else specifying any default.

An Event of Default with respect to one series of debt securities would not necessarily constitute an event of default with respect to any other series of debt securities.

For the purposes of the above, **Capital Market Indebtedness** means any obligation of the issuer for the payment of borrowed money which is in the form of, or represented or evidenced by, a certificate of indebtedness or in the form of, or represented or evidenced by, bonds, notes or other securities which are, or are capable of being, listed or traded on a stock exchange or other recognized securities market.

## **Consolidation, Merger and Sale of Assets**

The issuer may, without the consent of the Holders of the debt securities, consolidate with, merge into or transfer or lease its assets substantially as an entirety to, any person of the persons specified in the Indenture, provided that: (i) any successor corporation formed by any consolidation or amalgamation, or any transferee or lessee of the issuer's assets, must assume the issuer's obligations on the debt securities; (ii) immediately after giving effect to the transaction, no event which, after notice or lapse of time, would become an Event of Default shall have occurred and be continuing; and (iii) certain other conditions are met (including the payment of any Additional Amounts that are payable).

If the issuer consolidates or merges with or into any other corporation or sells all or substantially all of its assets according to the terms and conditions of the Indenture, the resulting or acquiring corporation will be substituted for the issuer in the Indenture with the same effect as if it had been an original party to the Indenture. As a result, the successor corporation may exercise the issuer's rights and powers under the Indenture, in the issuer's name or in its own name and the issuer will be released from all of its liabilities and obligations under the Indenture and under the debt securities.

## **Defeasance and Discharge**

The issuer can legally release itself from any payment or other obligations on debt securities, except for various obligations described in this section, if it, in addition to other actions, puts in place the following arrangements for applicable Holders to be repaid: (i) the issuer must deposit in trust for each Holder's benefit and the benefit of all other direct holders of the debt securities a combination of money and U.S. government or U.S. government agency debt securities or bonds that, in the opinion of a nationally recognized firm of independent public accountants, will generate enough cash to make interest, principal and any other payments on the applicable debt securities on their various due dates and (ii) the issuer must deliver to the Trustee a legal opinion of U.S. tax counsel of recognized standing with respect to U.S. federal income tax matters confirming that, as a result of a change in U.S. federal income tax law, the issuer may make the above deposit without causing Holders to be taxed on the applicable debt securities any differently than if the issuer did not make the deposit and just repaid the applicable debt securities itself. The issuer would not have to deliver this opinion if it received from, or there has been published by, the United States Internal Revenue Service a ruling that states the same conclusion.

However, even if the issuer takes these actions, a number of its obligations relating to the applicable debt securities will remain. These include the following obligations: (i) to register the transfer and exchange of such debt securities; (ii) to replace mutilated, destroyed, lost or stolen debt securities; (iii) to maintain paying agencies; (iv) to hold money for payment in trust; and (v) to pay all fees, expenses and other amounts owed to the Trustee.

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### ***Covenant Defeasance***

The issuer can legally release itself from compliance with certain restrictive covenants, including those described under *Covenants* above and the occurrence of certain Events of Default in relation to such restrictive covenants, if it, in addition to other actions, deposits the monies, bonds and debt securities, and delivers the opinion, specified above under *Defeasance and Discharge*.

The issuer must deliver to the Trustee a legal opinion of U.S. tax counsel of recognized standing confirming that under current U.S. federal income tax law the issuer can release itself from compliance with such covenants without causing Holders to be taxed on the applicable debt securities any differently than if the issuer did not legally release itself from compliance with such covenants.

However, the issuer will remain liable in the event that an acceleration following an Event of Default has the result that the deposited monies, bonds and debt securities are not sufficient to pay amounts due on such debt securities. In such event, the issuer will remain liable for the remaining amounts due.

### **Modification and Waiver**

The Indenture contains provisions for convening meetings of Holders to consider matters affecting their interests.

There are three types of changes that the issuer can make to the Indenture and the debt securities.

### ***Changes Requiring Each Holder's Approval***

First, there are changes that cannot be made to debt securities without each affected Holder's specific approval. Following is a list of those types of changes:

- (i) change the stated maturity of the principal, or any installment of principal, or interest on the debt securities;
- (ii) reduce any amounts and the rate of interest of a debt security or any premium due upon its redemption;
- (iii) reduce the amount of principal payable upon acceleration of the maturity of an original issue discount security or any other debt security following a default;
- (iv) change the place or currency of payment on a debt security;
- (v) impair your right to sue for payment;
- (vi) reduce the percentage of Holders of debt securities whose consent is needed to modify or amend the Indenture;
- (vii) reduce the percentage of Holders of debt securities whose consent is needed to waive compliance with various provisions of the Indenture or to waive various defaults;
- (viii) modify any other aspect of the provisions dealing with modification and waiver of the Indenture, unless to provide that additional provisions of the Indenture cannot be modified or waived without your consent; and

- (ix) modify or affect in any manner adverse to the Holders any of the issuer's obligations that relate to payment of principal, premium or interest.

***Changes Requiring a Majority Vote***

The second type of change to the Indenture and the debt securities is the kind that requires a vote in favor by Holders owning a majority of the principal amount of the particular series of debt securities affected. Most changes fall into this category. The same majority vote would be required for the issuer to obtain a waiver of all or part of the covenants described above or a waiver of a past default. However, the issuer cannot obtain a waiver

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of a payment default or any other aspect of the Indenture or the debt securities listed in the first category described previously under **Changes Requiring Each Holder's Approval** unless the issuer obtains each Holder's individual consent to the waiver.

### ***Changes Not Requiring Approval***

The third type of change does not require any vote by Holders. This type is limited to clarifications, changes, amendments, supplements and other changes that would not adversely affect the Holders in any material respect.

### ***Further Details Concerning Voting***

Debt securities will not be considered outstanding, and therefore not eligible to vote, if the issuer has deposited or set aside in trust for the applicable Holder money for their payment or redemption and notice has been given to such Holder of such redemption. Debt securities will also not be eligible to vote if they have been fully defeased as described previously under **Defeasance and Discharge**.

The issuer will generally be entitled to set any day as a record date for the purpose of determining the Holders of debt securities that are entitled to vote or take other action under the Indenture. In limited circumstances, the Trustee will be entitled to set a record date for action by Holders. If issuer or the Trustee set a record date for a vote or other action to be taken by Holders of a particular series of debt securities, that vote or action may be taken only by persons who are Holders of outstanding debt securities of that series on the record date and must be taken within 180 days following the record date or another period that the issuer may specify (or as the Trustee may specify, if it sets the record date). The issuer may shorten or lengthen this period from time to time.

### **Prescription**

Under New York's statute of limitations, any legal action upon the debt securities in respect of interest or principal must be commenced within six years after the payment thereof is due. Thereafter the debt securities will become generally unenforceable.

### **Notice**

Notices to Holders of debt securities will also be given by first-class mail postage prepaid to the last addresses of such Holders as they appear in the debt securities register. Such notices will be deemed to have been given on the date of such publication or mailing.

### **Consent to Service**

The issuer will initially designate Philips Electronics North America Corporation, as its authorized agent for service of process in any legal suit, action or proceeding arising out of or relating to the performance of its obligations under the Indenture and the debt securities brought in any state or federal court in the Borough of Manhattan, the City of New York, and will irrevocably submit (but for those purposes only) to the non-exclusive jurisdiction of any such court in any such suit, action or proceeding.

### **Governing Law**

The debt securities and Indenture will be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of New York State, except that the issuer's authorization and execution of the Indenture and the debt securities will be governed by the laws of The Netherlands.

### **Regarding the Trustee**

Deutsche Bank Trust Company Americas will be the Trustee under the Indenture. The issuer and some of its subsidiaries maintain deposit accounts and conduct other banking transactions with the Trustee in the ordinary course of business.

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**LEGAL OWNERSHIP**

**Street Name and Other Indirect Holders**

We generally will not recognize investors who hold securities in accounts at banks or brokers as legal Holders of securities. When we refer to the Holders of securities, we mean only the actual legal and (if applicable) record Holder of those securities. Holding securities in accounts at banks or brokers is called holding in street name. If you hold securities in street name, we will recognize only the bank or broker or the financial institution the bank or broker uses to hold its securities. These intermediary banks, brokers and other financial institutions pass along principal, interest, dividends and other payments on the securities, either because they agree to do so in their customer agreements or because they are legally required. If you hold securities in street name, you should check with your own institution to find out:

how it handles securities payments and notices;

whether it imposes fees or charges;

how it would handle voting if it were ever required;

whether and how you can instruct it to send you securities and, if the securities are in registered form, have them registered in your own name, so you can be a direct Holder as described below; and

how it would pursue rights under the securities if there were a default or other event triggering the need for Holders to act to protect their interests.

**Direct Holders**

Our obligations, as well as the obligations of the Trustee and those of any third parties employed by us or the Trustee, under the securities run only to persons who are registered as Holders of the securities. As noted above, we do not have obligations to you if you hold in street name or other indirect means, either because you choose to hold securities in that manner or because the securities are issued in the form of global securities as described below. For example, once we make payment to the registered Holder, we have no further responsibility for the payment even if that Holder is legally required to pass the payment along to you as a street name customer but does not do so.

**Global Securities**

*What is a Global Security?*

A global security is a special type of indirectly held security. If we choose to issue securities in the form of global securities, the ultimate beneficial owners can only be indirect Holders.

We require that the global security be registered in the name of a financial institution we select.

We require that the securities included in the global security not be transferred to the name of any other direct Holder unless the special circumstances described below occur. The financial institution that acts as the sole direct Holder of the global security is called the depository. Any person wishing to own a security must do so indirectly by virtue of an account with a broker, bank or other financial institution that in turn has an account with the depository. A prospectus supplement relating to the offering of a series of securities will indicate whether the series will be issued only in the form of global securities.

*Special Investor Considerations for Global Securities*

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As an indirect Holder, an investor's rights relating to a global security will be governed by the account rules of the investor's financial institution and of the depositary, as well as general laws relating to securities transfers. We do not recognize this type of investor as a Holder of securities and instead deal only with the depositary that holds the global security.

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If you are an investor in securities that are issued only in the form of global securities, you should be aware that:

You cannot get securities registered in your own name.

You cannot receive physical certificates for your interest in the securities.

You will be a street name Holder and must look to your own bank or broker for payments on the securities and protection of your legal rights relating to the securities, as explained earlier under Street Name and Other Indirect Holders.

You may not be able to sell interests in the securities to some insurance companies and other institutions that are required by law to own their securities in the form of physical certificates.

The depositary's policies will govern payments, transfers, exchange and other matters relating to your interest in the global security. We and the Trustee have no responsibility for any aspect of the depositary's actions or for its records of ownership interests in the global security. We and the Trustee also do not supervise the depositary in any way.

The depositary will require that interests in a global security be purchased or sold within its system using same-day funds. By contrast, payment for purchases and sales in the market for corporate bonds and other securities is generally made in next-day funds. This difference could have some effect on how interests in global securities trade, but we do not know what that effect will be.

### *Special Situations in Which a Global Security Will Be Terminated*

In a few special situations described below, a global security will terminate and interests in it will be exchanged for physical certificates representing securities. After that exchange, the choice of whether to hold securities directly or in street name will be up to the investor. Investors must consult their own bank or brokers to find out how to have their interests in securities transferred to their own name so that they will be direct Holders. The rights of street name investors and direct Holders in the securities have been previously described in the subsections entitled Street Name and Other Indirect Holders and Direct Holders above.

The special situations for termination of a global security are:

When the depositary notifies us that it is unwilling, unable or no longer qualified to continue as depositary.

When an event of default on the securities has occurred and has not been cured. Defaults on debt securities are discussed under Description of Debt Securities Default and Related Matters Events of Default on page 15.

The prospectus supplement(s) may also list additional situations for terminating a global security that would apply only to the particular series of securities covered by the prospectus supplement. When a global security terminates, the depositary, and neither we nor the trustee, is responsible for deciding the names of the institutions that will be the initial direct holders. For more information, see Description of Debt Securities on page 9.



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### **CLEARANCE AND SETTLEMENT**

#### **General**

Securities we issue may be held through one or more international and domestic clearing systems. The principal clearing systems we will use are the book-entry systems operated by The Depository Trust Company, or DTC, in the United States, Clearstream Banking, société anonyme, or Clearstream, Luxembourg, in Luxembourg and Euroclear Bank S.A./N.V., or Euroclear, in Brussels, Belgium. These systems have established electronic securities and payment transfer, processing, depository and custodial links among themselves and others, either directly or through custodians and depositories. These links allow securities to be issued, held and transferred among the clearing systems without the physical transfer of certificates.

Special procedures to facilitate clearance and settlement have been established among these clearing systems to trade securities across borders in the secondary market. Where payments for registered securities in global form will be made in U.S. dollars, these procedures can be used for cross-market transfers and the securities will be cleared and settled on a delivery against payment basis.

Cross-market transfers of securities that are not in global form may be cleared and settled in accordance with other procedures that may be established among the clearing systems for these securities. Investors in securities that are issued outside of the United States, its territories and possessions must initially hold their interests through Euroclear, Clearstream, Luxembourg or the clearance system that is described in the applicable prospectus supplement.

The policies of DTC, Clearstream, Luxembourg and Euroclear will govern payments, transfers, exchange and other matters relating to the investor's interest in securities held by them. This is also true for any other clearance system that may be named in a prospectus supplement.

We have no responsibility for any aspect of the actions of DTC, Clearstream, Luxembourg or Euroclear or any of their direct or indirect participants. We have no responsibility for any aspect of the records kept by DTC, Clearstream, Luxembourg or Euroclear or any of their direct or indirect participants. We also do not supervise these systems in any way. This is also true for any other clearing system indicated in a prospectus supplement.

DTC, Clearstream, Luxembourg, Euroclear and their participants perform these clearance and settlement functions under agreements they have made with one another or with their customers. You should be aware that they are not obligated to perform these procedures and may modify them or discontinue them at any time.

The description of the clearing systems in this section reflects our understanding of the rules and procedures of DTC, Clearstream, Luxembourg and Euroclear as they are currently in effect. These systems could change their rules and procedures at any time.

#### **The Clearing Systems**

##### *DTC*

DTC has advised us as follows:

DTC is:

a limited purpose trust company organized under the laws of the State of New York;

a banking organization within the meaning of the New York Banking Law;

a member of the Federal Reserve System;

a clearing corporation within the meaning of the Uniform Commercial Code; and

a clearing agency registered pursuant to the provisions of Section 17A of the Exchange Act.

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DTC was created to hold securities for its participants and to facilitate the clearance and settlement of securities transactions between participants through electronic book-entry changes to accounts of its participants. This eliminates the need for physical movement of certificates.

Participants in DTC include securities brokers and dealers, banks, trust companies and clearing corporations and may include certain other organizations. DTC is partially owned by some of these participants or their representatives.

Indirect access to the DTC system is also available to banks, brokers, dealers and trust companies that have relationships with participants.

The rules applicable to DTC and DTC participants are on file with the SEC.

### *Clearstream, Luxembourg*

Clearstream, Luxembourg has advised us as follows:

Clearstream, Luxembourg is a duly licensed bank organized as a société anonyme incorporated under the laws of Luxembourg and is subject to regulation by the Luxembourg Commission for the Supervision of the Financial Sector (*Commission de Surveillance du Secteur Financier*).

Clearstream, Luxembourg holds securities for its customers and facilitates the clearance and settlement of securities transactions among them. It does so through electronic book-entry transfers between the accounts of its customers. This eliminates the need for physical movement of certificates.

Clearstream, Luxembourg provides other services to its participants, including safekeeping, administration, clearance and settlement of internationally traded securities and lending and borrowing of securities. It interfaces with the domestic markets in over 30 countries through established depositary and custodial relationships.

Clearstream, Luxembourg's customers include worldwide securities brokers and dealers, banks, trust companies and clearing corporations and may include professional financial intermediaries. Its U.S. customers are limited to securities brokers and dealers and banks.

Indirect access to the Clearstream, Luxembourg system is also available to others that clear through Clearstream, Luxembourg customers or that have custodial relationships with its customers, such as banks, brokers, dealers and trust companies.

### *Euroclear*

Euroclear has advised us as follows:

Euroclear is incorporated under the laws of Belgium as a bank and is subject to regulation by the Belgian Banking, Finance and Insurance Commission (*Commission Bancaire, Financière et des Assurances*) and the National Bank of Belgium (*Banque Nationale de Belgique*).

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Euroclear holds securities for its customers and facilitates the clearance and settlement of securities transactions among them. It does so through simultaneous electronic book-entry delivery against payment, thereby eliminating the need for physical movement of certificates.

Euroclear provides other services to its customers, including credit, custody, lending and borrowing of securities and tri-party collateral management. It interfaces with the domestic markets of several countries.

Euroclear customers include banks, including central banks, securities brokers and dealers, trust companies and clearing corporations and may include certain other professional financial intermediaries.

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Indirect access to the Euroclear system is also available to others that clear through Euroclear customers or that have custodial relationships with Euroclear customers.

All securities in Euroclear are held on a fungible basis. This means that specific certificates are not matched to specific securities clearance accounts.

### *Other Clearing Systems*

We may choose any other clearing system for a particular series of securities. The clearance and settlement procedures for the clearing system we choose will be described in the applicable prospectus supplement.

## **Primary Distribution**

The distribution of the securities will be cleared through one or more of the clearing systems that we have described above or any other clearing system that is specified in the applicable prospectus supplement. Payment for securities will be made on a delivery versus payment or free delivery basis. These payment procedures will be more fully described in the applicable prospectus supplement.

Clearance and settlement procedures may vary from one series of securities to another according to the currency that is chosen for the specific series of securities. Customary clearance and settlement procedures are described below.

We will submit applications to the relevant system or systems for the securities to be accepted for clearance. The clearance numbers that are applicable to each clearance system will be specified in the applicable prospectus supplement.

### *Clearance and Settlement Procedures DTC*

DTC participants that hold securities through DTC on behalf of investors will follow the settlement practices applicable to U.S. corporate debt obligations in DTC's Same-Day Funds Settlement System.

Securities will be credited to the securities custody accounts of these DTC participants against payment in same-day funds, for payments in U.S. dollars, on the settlement date. For payments in a currency other than U.S. dollars, securities will be credited free of payment on the settlement date.

### *Clearance and Settlement Procedures Euroclear and Clearstream, Luxembourg*

We understand that investors that hold their securities through Euroclear or Clearstream, Luxembourg accounts will follow the settlement procedures that are applicable to conventional Eurobonds in registered form for debt securities.

Securities will be credited to the securities custody accounts of Euroclear and Clearstream, Luxembourg participants on the business day following the settlement date, for value on the settlement date. They will be credited either free of payment or against payment for value on the settlement date.

## **Secondary Market Trading**

### *Trading between DTC Participants*

We understand that secondary market trading between DTC participants will occur in the ordinary way in accordance with DTC's rules. Secondary market trading will be settled using procedures applicable to U.S. corporate debt obligations in DTC's Same-Day Funds Settlement System for debt securities.

If payment is made in U.S. dollars, settlement will be in same-day funds. If payment is made in a currency other than U.S. dollars, settlement will be free of payment, and separate payment arrangements outside of the DTC system must be made between the DTC participants involved.



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### *Trading between Euroclear and/or Clearstream, Luxembourg Participants*

We understand that secondary market trading between Euroclear and/or Clearstream, Luxembourg participants will occur in the ordinary way following the applicable rules and operating procedures of Euroclear and Clearstream, Luxembourg. Secondary market trading will be settled using procedures applicable to conventional Eurobonds in registered form.

### *Trading between a DTC Seller and a Euroclear or Clearstream, Luxembourg Purchaser*

A purchaser of securities that are held in the account of a DTC participant must send instructions to Euroclear or Clearstream, Luxembourg at least one business day prior to settlement. The instructions will provide for the transfer of the securities from the selling DTC participant's account to the account of the purchasing Euroclear or Clearstream, Luxembourg participant. Euroclear or Clearstream, Luxembourg, as the case may be, will then instruct the common depository for Euroclear and Clearstream, Luxembourg to receive the securities either against payment or free of payment.

The interests in the securities will be credited to the respective clearing system. The clearing system will then credit the account of the participant, following its usual procedures. Credit for the securities will appear on the next day, European time. Cash debit will be back-valued to, and the interest on the securities will accrue from, the value date, which would be the preceding day, when settlement occurs in New York. If the trade fails and settlement is not completed on the intended date, the Euroclear or Clearstream, Luxembourg cash debit will be valued as of the actual settlement date instead.

Euroclear participants or Clearstream, Luxembourg participants will need the funds necessary to process same-day funds settlement. The most direct means of doing this is to preposition funds for settlement, either from cash or from existing lines of credit, as for any settlement occurring within Euroclear or Clearstream, Luxembourg. Under this approach, participants may take on credit exposure to Euroclear or Clearstream, Luxembourg until the securities are credited to their accounts one business day later.

As an alternative, if Euroclear or Clearstream, Luxembourg has extended a line of credit to them, participants can choose not to preposition funds and will allow that credit line to be drawn upon to finance settlement. Under this procedure, Euroclear participants or Clearstream, Luxembourg participants purchasing securities would incur overdraft charges for one business day, (assuming they cleared the overdraft as soon as the securities were credited to their accounts). However, interest on the securities would accrue from the value date. Therefore, in many cases, the investment income on securities that is earned during that one business day period may substantially reduce or offset the amount of the overdraft charges. This result will, however, depend on each participant's particular cost of funds.

Because the settlement will take place during New York business hours, DTC participants will use their usual procedures to deliver securities to the depository on behalf of Euroclear participants or Clearstream, Luxembourg participants. The sale proceeds will be available to the DTC seller on the settlement date. For the DTC participants, then, a cross-market transaction will settle no differently than a trade between two DTC participants.

### **Special Timing Considerations**

You should be aware that investors will be able to make and receive deliveries, payments and other communications involving the securities through Clearstream, Luxembourg and Euroclear only on days when those systems are open for business. Those systems may not be open for business on days when banks, brokers and other institutions are open for business in the United States.

In addition, because of time-zone differences, there may be problems with completing transactions involving Clearstream, Luxembourg and Euroclear on the same business day as in the United States. U.S. investors who wish to transfer their interests in the securities, or to receive or make a payment or delivery of the securities, on a particular day, may find that the transactions will not be performed until the next business day in Luxembourg or Brussels, depending on whether Clearstream, Luxembourg or Euroclear is used.

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### TAXATION

#### **Netherlands Taxation**

The following is intended as general information only and it does not purport to present any comprehensive or complete picture of all aspects of Dutch tax laws which could be of relevance to a holder of debt securities (hereinafter referred to as *Securities* ). Prospective holders of a Security (hereinafter referred to as *Holder* ) should therefore consult their tax adviser regarding the tax consequences of any purchase, ownership or disposal of Securities.

The following summary is based on the Dutch tax law as applied and interpreted by Dutch tax courts and as published and in effect on the date hereof, without prejudice to any amendments introduced at a later date and implemented with or without retroactive effect.

The issuers have been advised that under Dutch tax law the following treatment will apply to the Securities.

For the purpose of this paragraph, *Dutch taxes* shall mean taxes of whatsoever nature imposed, levied, withheld or assessed by The Netherlands or any political subdivision or taxing authority thereof or therein.

#### **Withholding Tax**

Any payments made under the Securities will not be subject to withholding or deduction for, or on account of, any Dutch taxes.

#### **Taxes on Income and Capital Gains**

This section does not purport to describe the possible Dutch tax considerations or consequences that may be relevant to a Holder who has a (fictitious) substantial interest ( *aanmerkelijk belang* ) in Koninklijke Philips Electronics N.V. Generally, a Holder has a substantial interest in Koninklijke Philips Electronics N.V. if such Holder, alone or together with his partner, has, or if certain relatives of the Holder or his partner have, directly or indirectly:

the ownership of, or certain rights over, shares representing five percent or more of the total issued and outstanding capital of Koninklijke Philips Electronics N.V., or of the issued and outstanding capital of any class of shares Koninklijke Philips Electronics N.V.; or

the rights to acquire shares, whether or not already issued, representing five percent or more of the total issued and outstanding capital of Koninklijke Philips Electronics N.V., or of the issued and outstanding capital of any class of shares of Koninklijke Philips Electronics N.V.; or

certain profit participating certificates that relate to five percent or more of the annual profit of Koninklijke Philips Electronics N.V. or to five percent or more of the liquidation proceeds of Koninklijke Philips Electronics N.V.

Generally, a Holder has a fictitious substantial interest ( *fictief aanmerkelijk belang* ) if amongst others (a) he has disposed of, or is deemed to have disposed of, all or part of a substantial interest or (b) he is an individual and has transferred a business enterprise in exchange for shares, on a non-recognition basis.

#### *Residents of The Netherlands*

The description of certain Dutch tax consequences in this paragraph is only intended for the following Holders:

individuals who are resident or deemed to be resident in The Netherlands;



individuals who opt to be treated as a resident in The Netherlands for purposes of Dutch taxation (jointly, Dutch Individuals ); and

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entities that are subject to the 1969 Dutch Corporate Income Tax Act ( CITA ) and are resident or deemed to be resident in The Netherlands for purposes of the CITA ( Dutch Corporate Entities ), excluding:

pension funds ( *pensioenfondsen* ) and other entities, that are exempt from or not subject to Dutch corporate income tax; and

Investment institutions ( *beleggingsinstellingen* ).

*Dutch Individuals not engaged or deemed to be engaged in an enterprise or receiving benefits from miscellaneous activities*

Generally, a Dutch Individual who holds Securities that are not attributable to an enterprise from which he derives profits as an entrepreneur ( *ondememer* ) or pursuant to a co-entitlement to the net worth of such enterprise other than as an entrepreneur or a shareholder, or to miscellaneous activities ( *overige werkzaamheden* ), will be subject annually to an income tax imposed on a fictitious yield on such Securities. The Securities held by such Dutch Individual will be taxed under the regime for savings and investments ( *inkomen uit sparen en beleggen* ). Irrespective of the actual income or capital gains realized, the annual taxable benefit of all the assets and liabilities of a Dutch Individual that are taxed under this regime, including the Securities, is set at a fixed amount. The fixed amount equals 4 percent of the net fair market value of these assets and liabilities measured, in general, at the beginning of every calendar year. The current tax rate under the regime for savings and investments is a flat rate of 30 percent.

*Dutch Individuals engaged or deemed to be engaged in an enterprise or earning benefits from miscellaneous activities*

Any benefits derived or deemed to be derived from Securities (including any capital gains realized on the disposal thereof) that are either attributable to an enterprise from which a Dutch Individual derives profits, whether as an entrepreneur or pursuant to a co-entitlement to the net worth of such enterprise (other than as an entrepreneur or a shareholder), or attributable to miscellaneous activities are generally subject to income tax in the Dutch Individual's hands at progressive rates with a maximum of 52%.

*Dutch Corporate Entities*

Any benefits derived or deemed to be derived from Securities (including any capital gains realized on the disposal thereof) that are held by a Dutch Corporate Entity are generally subject to corporate income tax, currently 25% (the corporate income tax rate amounts to 20% for the first 200,000 of profit).

*Non-residents of The Netherlands*

A Holder other than a Dutch Individual or Dutch Corporate Entity will not be subject to any Dutch taxes on income or capital gains in respect of the ownership and disposal of the Securities, except if the Holder derives profits from an enterprise or deemed enterprise, whether as entrepreneur or pursuant to a co-entitlement to the net worth of such enterprise other than as an entrepreneur or a shareholder, which enterprise is, in whole or in part, carried on through a permanent establishment ( *vaste inrichting* ) or a permanent representative ( *vaste vertegenwoordiger* ) in The Netherlands, to which Securities are attributable; or

the Holder is an individual and derives benefits from miscellaneous activities ( *resultaat uit overige werkzaamheden* ) performed in The Netherlands in respect of Securities, including, without limitation, activities which are beyond the scope of active portfolio investment activities; or

the Holder is entitled to a share in the profits of an enterprise that is effectively managed in The Netherlands, other than by way of the holding of securities or through an employment contract, to which enterprise the Securities are attributable; or

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in case of a corporate Holder, such Holder is a resident of Aruba, Curacao or Saint Martin with a permanent establishment or permanent representative in Bonaire, Eustatius or Saba to which the Securities are attributable, while the profits of such Holder are taxable in the Netherlands pursuant to article 17(3)(c) of the CITA.

### **Gift tax or inheritance tax**

No Dutch taxes are due in respect of any gift of the Securities by, or inheritance of the Securities on the death of, a Holder, except if:

the Holder is a resident, or is deemed to be a resident, of The Netherlands; or

the Holder, at the time of the gift or death, has an enterprise (or an interest in an enterprise) which is, in whole or in part, carried on through a permanent establishment or permanent representative in The Netherlands to which the Securities are attributable; or

the Holder passes away within 180 days after the date of the gift of the Securities and is not, or not deemed to be, at the time of the gift, but is, or deemed to be, at the time of his death, resident of The Netherlands; or

the Holder is entitled to a share in the profits of an enterprise effectively managed in The Netherlands, other than by way of the holding of securities or through an employment contract, to which enterprise the Securities are attributable.

For purposes of Dutch gift or inheritance tax, an individual who is of Dutch nationality will be deemed to be a resident of The Netherlands if he has been a resident in The Netherlands at any time during the ten years preceding the date of the gift or his death. For purposes of Dutch gift tax, an individual will be deemed to be a resident of The Netherlands if he has been a resident of The Netherlands at any time during the 12 months preceding the date of the gift.

### **Other taxes**

No other Dutch taxes, such as value added tax, or other similar tax or duty (including stamp duty and court fees), are due by the Issuers or the Holder by reason only of the issue, acquisition or transfer of the Securities.

### **Residency**

Subject to the exceptions above, a Holder will not become a resident, or a deemed resident, of The Netherlands for tax purposes, or become subject to Dutch Taxes, by reason only of the Issuers' performance, or the Holder's acquisition (by way of issue or transfer to it), holding and/or disposal of the Securities.

### **EU Savings Directive**

Under the EU Directive 2003/48/EC, The Netherlands is required, subject to a number of conditions being met, to provide to other Member States details of payments of interest and similar income paid from The Netherlands to individuals who are resident in other Member States.

### **United States Taxation**

This section describes the material United States federal income tax consequences to a United States holder (as defined below) of owning the securities we are offering. It is the opinion of Sullivan & Cromwell LLP, United States counsel to Philips. It applies to you only if you acquire securities in the offering and you hold your securities as capital assets for tax purposes. This section does not apply to you if you are a member of a class of holders subject to special rules, such as:

a dealer in securities or currencies,



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a trader in securities that elects to use a mark-to-market method of accounting for your securities holdings,

a bank,

a life insurance company,

a tax-exempt organization,

a person that owns securities that are a hedge or that are hedged against interest rate risks,

a person that owns securities as part of a straddle or conversion transaction for tax purposes,

a person that purchases or sells securities as part of a wash sale for tax purposes, or

a person whose functional currency for tax purposes is not the U.S. dollar.

This section deals only with fixed rate and certain types of floating rate debt securities denominated in U.S. dollars which have no more than a de minimis amount of original issue discount and are due to mature 30 years or less from the date on which they are issued. The United States federal income tax consequences of owning other securities we may offer will be discussed in an applicable supplement. This section is based on the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the Code), its legislative history, existing and proposed regulations under the Internal Revenue Code, published rulings and court decisions, all as of the date hereof. These laws are subject to change, possibly on a retroactive basis.

You are a United States holder if you are a beneficial owner of a security and you are, for U.S. federal income tax purposes:

a citizen or resident of the United States,

a domestic corporation or other entity taxable as a domestic corporation,

an estate whose income is subject to United States federal income tax regardless of its source, or

a trust if a United States court can exercise primary supervision over the trust's administration and one or more United States persons are authorized to control all substantial decisions of the trust.

If a partnership holds the securities, the United States federal income tax treatment of a partner will generally depend on the status of the partner and the tax treatment of the partnership. A partnership or a partner in a partnership holding the securities should consult its tax advisor with regard to the United States federal income tax treatment of an investment in the securities.

If you purchase securities at a price other than the offering price, the amortizable bond premium or market discount rules may also apply to you. You should consult your tax advisor regarding this possibility.

*Please consult your own tax advisor concerning the consequences of owning securities in your particular circumstances under the Code and the laws of any other taxing jurisdiction.*

**Payments of Interest**

You will be taxed on any interest on your security as ordinary income at the time you receive the interest or when it accrues, depending on your method of accounting for tax purposes.

Interest we pay on the securities and any additional amounts we pay with respect to withholding tax on the securities, including withholding tax on payments of such additional amounts ( additional amounts ), is income from sources outside the United States for purposes of the rules regarding the foreign tax credit allowable to a United States holder. Under the foreign tax credit rules, interest and additional amounts, will, depending on your circumstances, be either passive or general income for purposes of computing the foreign tax credit.

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### **Purchase, Sale and Retirement of the Securities**

Your tax basis in your security will generally be its cost. You will generally recognize capital gain or loss on the sale or retirement of your security equal to the difference between the amount you realize on the sale or retirement, excluding any amounts attributable to accrued but unpaid interest, and your tax basis in your security. Capital gain of a noncorporate United States holder is generally taxed at preferential rates where the property is held for more than one year.

### **Medicare Tax**

For taxable years beginning after December 31, 2012, a United States holder that is an individual or estate, or a trust that does not fall into a special class of trusts that is exempt from such tax, will be subject to a 3.8% tax on the lesser of (1) the United States holder's net investment income for the relevant taxable year and (2) the excess of the United States holder's modified adjusted gross income for the taxable year over a certain threshold (which in the case of individuals will be between \$125,000 and \$250,000, depending on the individual's circumstances). A United States holder's net investment income will generally include its interest income and its net gains from the disposition of securities, unless such interest income or net gains are derived in the ordinary course of the conduct of a trade or business (other than a trade or business that consists of certain passive or trading activities). If you are an individual, estate or trust, you are urged to consult your tax advisors regarding the applicability of the Medicare tax to your income and gains in respect of your investment in the securities.

### **Information with Respect to Foreign Financial Assets**

Owners of specified foreign financial assets with an aggregate value in excess of \$50,000 (and in some circumstances, a higher threshold) may be required to file an information report with respect to such assets with their tax returns. Specified foreign financial assets include any financial accounts maintained by foreign financial institutions, as well as any of the following, but only if they are not held in accounts maintained by financial institutions: (i) stocks and securities issued by non-United States persons, (ii) financial instruments and contracts held for investment that have non-United States issuers or counterparties, and (iii) interests in foreign entities. Holders are urged to consult their tax advisors regarding the application of this legislation to their ownership of the securities.

### **Backup Withholding and Information Reporting**

If you are a noncorporate United States holder, information reporting requirements, on Internal Revenue Service Form 1099, generally will apply to:

payments of principal and interest on a security within the United States, including payments made by wire transfer from outside the United States to an account you maintain in the United States, and

the payment of the proceeds from the sale of a Note effected at a United States office of a broker.

Additionally, backup withholding will apply to such payments if you are a noncorporate United States holder that:

fails to provide an accurate taxpayer identification number,

is notified by the Internal Revenue Service that you have failed to report all interest and dividends required to be shown on your federal income tax returns, or

in certain circumstances, fails to comply with applicable certification requirements.

In general, payment of the proceeds from the sale of securities effected at a foreign office of a broker will not be subject to information reporting or backup withholding. However, a sale effected at a foreign office of a broker will generally be subject to information reporting and backup withholding if:

the proceeds are transferred to an account maintained by you in the United States,

the payment of proceeds or the confirmation of the sale is mailed to you at a United States address, or



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the sale has some other specified connection with the United States as provided in U.S. Treasury regulations. In addition, payment of the proceeds from the sale of securities effected at a foreign office of a broker will generally be subject to information reporting if the broker is:

a United States person,

a controlled foreign corporation for United States tax purposes,

a foreign person 50% or more of whose gross income is effectively connected with the conduct of a United States trade or business for a specified three-year period, or

a foreign partnership, if at any time during its tax year:

one or more of its partners are United States persons, as defined in U.S. Treasury regulations, who in the aggregate hold more than 50% of the income or capital interest in the partnership, or

such foreign partnership is engaged in the conduct of a United States trade or business.

Backup withholding will apply if the sale is subject to information reporting and the broker has actual knowledge that you are a United States person.

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### **PLAN OF DISTRIBUTION**

We may sell the securities offered by this prospectus:

through underwriters;

through dealers;

through agents; or

directly to purchasers.

#### **Underwriters**

If we use underwriters in the sale, we will enter into an underwriting agreement, and a prospectus supplement will set forth the names of the underwriters and the terms of the transaction. The underwriters will acquire securities and may resell the securities from time to time in one or more transactions, including negotiated transactions, at a fixed public offering price or at varying prices determined at the time of sale. Unless we otherwise state in the prospectus supplement, various conditions to the underwriters' obligation to purchase securities apply, and the underwriters will be obligated to purchase all of the securities contemplated in an offering if they purchase any of such securities. Any initial public offering price and any discounts or concessions allowed or reallocated or paid to dealers may be changed from time to time.

One or more firms, referred to as remarketing firms, may also offer or sell the securities, if the prospectus supplement so indicates, in connection with a remarketing arrangement upon their purchase. Remarketing firms will act as principals for their own accounts or as agents for us. These remarketing firms will offer or sell the securities in accordance with a redemption or repayment pursuant to the terms of the securities. The prospectus supplement will identify any remarketing firm and the terms of its agreement, if any, with us and will describe the remarketing firm's compensation.

If the prospectus supplement so indicates, we may authorize agents and underwriters or dealers to solicit offers by certain purchasers to purchase the securities from us at the public offering price set forth in the prospectus supplement. These contracts will be subject to only those conditions set forth in the prospectus supplement, and the prospectus supplement will set forth the commission payable for solicitation of such offers.

Each series of debt securities offered will be a new issue of securities and will have no established trading market. The debt securities offered may or may not be listed on a national securities exchange. We cannot be sure as to the liquidity of or the existence of trading markets for any debt securities, warrants, purchase contracts or units offered.

Certain persons participating in this offering may engage in transactions that stabilize, maintain or otherwise affect the price of the securities. Specifically, the underwriters, if any, may overallocate in connection with the offering, and may bid for, and purchase, the securities in the open market.

#### **Dealers**

If we use dealers in the sale, unless we otherwise indicate in the prospectus supplement, we will sell securities to the dealers as principals. The dealers may then resell the securities to the public at varying prices that the dealers may determine at the time of resale.

#### **Agents and Direct Sales**

We may sell securities directly or through agents that we designate. The prospectus supplement names any agent involved in the offering and sale and states any commissions we will pay to that agent. Unless we indicate otherwise in the prospectus supplement, any agent is acting on a best efforts basis for the period of its appointment.



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### **Institutional Investors**

If we indicate in the prospectus supplement, we will authorize underwriters, dealers or agents to solicit offers from various institutional investors to purchase securities. In this case, payment and delivery will be made on a future date that the prospectus supplement specifies. The underwriters, dealers or agents may impose limitations on the minimum amount that the institutional investor can purchase. They may also impose limitations on the portion of the aggregate amount of the securities that they may sell. These institutional investors include:

commercial and savings banks;

insurance companies;

pension funds;

investment companies;

educational and charitable institutions; and

other similar institutions as we may approve.

The obligations of any of these purchasers pursuant to delayed delivery and payment arrangements will not be subject to any conditions. However, one exception applies. An institution's purchase of the particular securities cannot at the time of delivery be prohibited under the laws of any jurisdiction that governs:

the validity of the arrangements; or

the performance by us or the institutional investor.

### **Indemnification**

Agreements that we have entered into or may enter into with underwriters, dealers, agents or remarketing firms may entitle them to indemnification by us against various civil liabilities. These include liabilities under the Securities Act of 1933. The agreements may also entitle them to contribution for payments which they may be required to make as a result of these liabilities. Underwriters, dealers, agents or remarketing firms may be customers of, engage in transactions with, or perform services for, us in the ordinary course of business.

Remarketing firms may be deemed to be underwriters in connection with the securities they remarket. Remarketing firms may be entitled under agreements that may be entered into with Koninklijke Philips Electronics N.V. to indemnification by Koninklijke Philips Electronics N.V. against certain civil liabilities, including liabilities under the Securities Act, and may be customers of, engage in transactions with or perform services for Koninklijke Philips Electronics N.V. in the ordinary course of business.

### **Market Making**

In the event that we do not list securities of any series on a U.S. national securities exchange, various broker-dealers may make a market in the securities, but will have no obligation to do so, and may discontinue any market making at any time without notice. Consequently, it may be the case that no broker-dealer will make a market in securities of any series or that the liquidity of the trading market for the securities will be limited.



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**VALIDITY OF SECURITIES**

The validity of the securities offered hereby will be passed upon by Sullivan & Cromwell LLP, U.S. counsel for Koninklijke Philips Electronics N.V., Sullivan & Cromwell LLP may rely upon Marnix Van Ginneken, General Counsel Corporate, Senior Vice President, Koninklijke Philips Electronics N.V., legal adviser to the issuer with respect to all matters of Netherlands law, and Marnix Van Ginneken may rely upon Sullivan & Cromwell LLP with respect to all matters of New York law. If this prospectus is delivered in connection with an underwritten offering, the validity of the debt securities may be passed upon for the underwriters by United States and Netherlands counsel for the underwriters specified in the related prospectus supplement. If no Netherlands counsel is specified, such United States counsel to the underwriters may also rely on the opinion of Marnix Van Ginneken as to certain matters of Netherlands law.

**EXPERTS**

The consolidated financial statements of Koninklijke Philips Electronics N.V. as of December 31, 2011 and 2010, and for each of the years in the three-year period ended December 31, 2011, and management's assessment of the effectiveness of internal control over financial reporting as of December 31, 2011, have been incorporated by reference herein and in the registration statement in reliance upon the reports of KPMG Accountants N.V., independent registered public accounting firm, incorporated by reference in herein, and upon the authority of such firm as experts in accounting and auditing.

**ENFORCEABILITY OF CERTAIN CIVIL LIABILITIES**

Koninklijke Philips Electronics N.V. is a limited liability company incorporated under Netherlands law. All of its directors and senior management, and some of the experts named in this document, currently reside outside the United States. All or a substantial portion of its assets and the assets of these individuals are located outside of the United States. As a result, it may not be possible for you to effect service of process within the United States upon non-U.S. resident directors or upon Koninklijke Philips Electronics N.V. or it may be difficult to enforce judgments obtained in U.S. courts based on the civil liability provisions of the U.S. securities laws against Koninklijke Philips Electronics N.V. We understand there is doubt as to the enforceability in The Netherlands of original actions or in actions for enforcement of judgments of U.S. courts of civil liabilities predicated solely upon the federal securities laws of the United States. As there is no treaty between the United States and The Netherlands providing for the reciprocal recognition and enforcement of judgments (other than arbitration awards in civic and commercial matters), a judgment rendered by a court in the United States will not be recognized and enforced by the Dutch courts. However, if a person has obtained a final and conclusive judgment for the payment of money based on civil liability rendered by a U.S. court which is enforceable in the United States (the foreign judgment) and files his claim with the competent Dutch court, the Dutch court will generally give binding effect to the foreign judgment insofar as it finds that the jurisdiction of the U.S. court has been based on grounds which are internationally acceptable and that proper legal procedures have been observed and unless the foreign judgment contravenes Dutch public policy.

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**March , 2012**

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**J.P. Morgan**