

Regeringskansliet
Avdelningen för bolag med statligt ägande, Finansdepartementet

24th of April, 2025

Re: Uppdatering av Regeringskansliets lista över finansiella rådgivare

Dear Sirs and Madams,

In response to the request to provide updated information on the list of financial advisors for procurement of financial services, Bank of America ("BofA Securities") is delighted to express its continued strong interest to act as financial advisor to Regeringskansliet in relation to the potential privatisation of the Swedish Government's industrial holdings and to provide the updated information as outlined below.

In particular, we would like to highlight the following:

- *BofA Securities' leading position in Nordic M&A*: BofA Securities ranks #1 in Nordic M&A 2025 YTD⁽¹⁾ and has advised on 50 M&A transactions in the Nordics since the beginning of 2022
- *BofA Securities is a leading capital markets house*: BofA Securities is ranked #1 in EMEA ABBs since 2022⁽²⁾ with >390 transactions⁽³⁾
- *A consistent and long-term expertise in privatisations in EMEA*: BofA Securities experience spans across all European Sovereigns including Nordic governments or entities with large direct or indirect government shareholdings and is ranked #1 in EMEA ECM privatisations with 10.2% market share since 2010⁽⁴⁾ and;
- *Strong local presence in Sweden fully integrated with an international platform*: Office in Stockholm with around 15 investment banking professionals that works in seamless collaboration with a global platform with deep sector expertise in industries of relevance to Regeringskansliet

We are confident that the combination of our expertise in advising on and executing privatisations, our extensive experience in large M&A and equity capital markets transactions, our strong global franchise and track record in the financial services industry and our vast knowledge of the Swedish Government's companies' operations and strategy will prove to be of significant value to current and future privatisation processes.

BofA Securities offers to the Swedish Government services related to strategic advice, M&A advice (buy side and sell side), capital raisings and issuance, restructurings, valuation, capital structure and related advice.

BofA Securities has all relevant authorisations and fulfils all legal and regulatory requirements and standards required for completion of the above mentioned services.

The team at BofA Securities is fully committed to working with the Swedish Government with respect to the potential privatisation of its industrial holdings.

Please do not hesitate to contact us should you have any questions or comments.

Yours Sincerely,

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(1) Based on fees, Dealogic as of Q1 2025.

(2) Bloomberg and Dealogic as of April 15th, 2025. EMEA ABBs above \$500m since 2022, ranked by Global Coordinator role.

(3) Dealogic as of April 16th 2025. ABBs in Europe >\$100m.

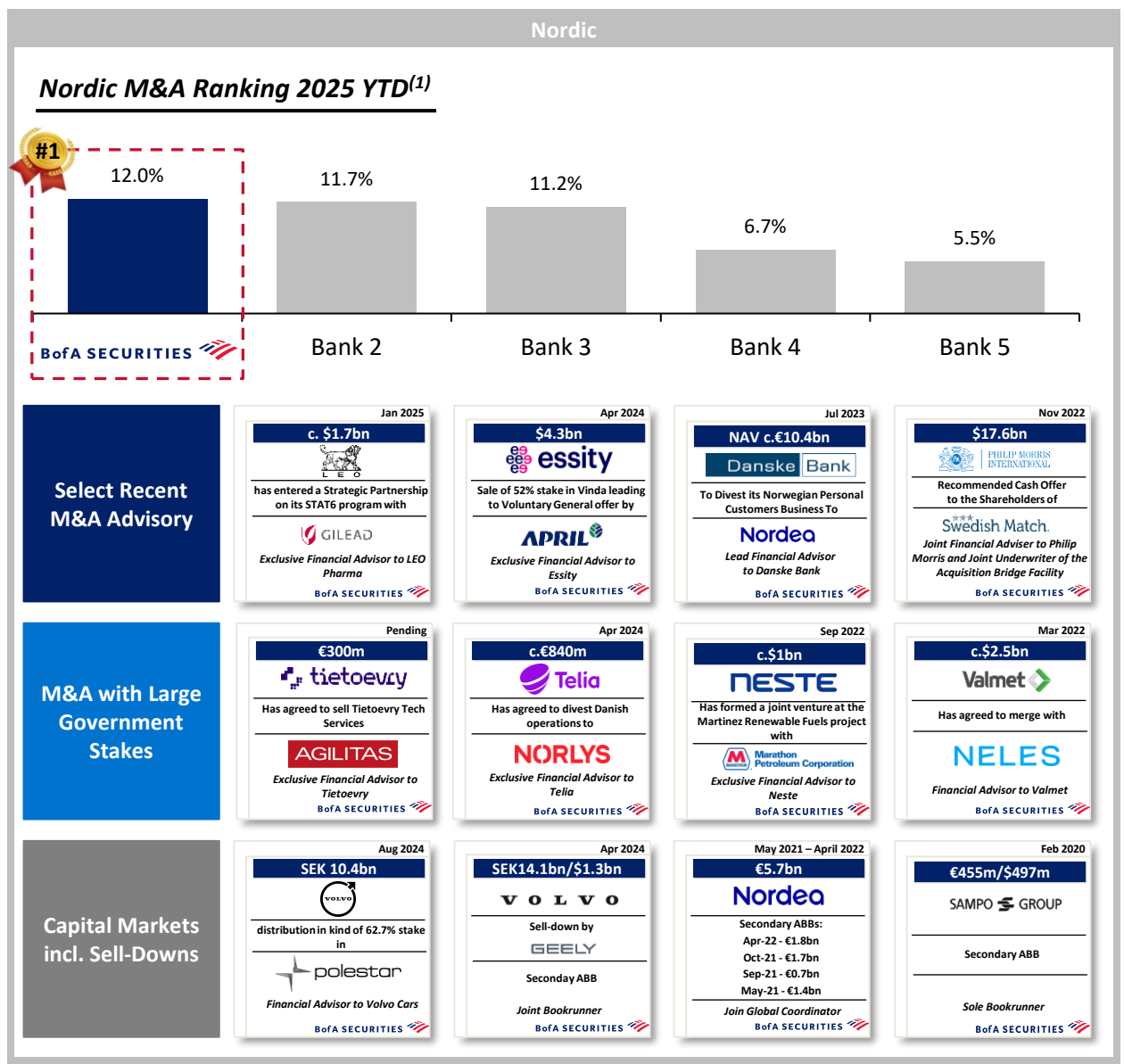
(4) Dealogic as of April 2025. EMEA privatisations >= \$100m since 2010.

Credentials and Relevant Experience

In recognition of our successes, BofA Securities has received several of the most prestigious accolades in the Investment Banking Industry.



Further, BofA Securities has a strong Nordic franchise in all financial products and services, including M&A, equity and fixed income, among others.



(1) Market share based on fees, Dealogic as of Q1 2025.

BofA Securities' Experience in Privatisation Programmes

BofA Securities is one of the **leading advisors to Governments on privatisations around the world**. We have been involved in a large number of high-profile and complex M&A and equity transactions. We understand the considerations and issues specific to privatisations very well and can draw from our extensive experience to develop innovative approaches and solutions to fulfil Governments' goals and expectations.

BofA Securities has **regular dialogues with the Governments in the Nordic region** and companies in which they have stakes regarding privatisations and corporate governance issues. We have done significant advisory work with privately owned entities involving large government stakes both in the Nordic region and across EMEA.

Some of the recent key BofA Securities privatisation involvements in the EMEA region include:

- Advised **NatWest** on four consecutive share repurchases of its own shares since 2021 (most recently in November 2024) from UK Government Investments Ltd, the local preparer and executer of all significant corporate asset sales by the UK government, for a total consideration value of \$5.97bn
- Advised **Abu Dhabi National Oil Co (ADNOC)**, the United Arab Emirates based energy company, on its \$10.14bn (49% stake) divestment in June 2020 of its local natural gas pipeline assets to a consortium of investors led by Global Infrastructure Management LLP
- Advised Spanish airport operator **Aena's** \$492m acquisition of airports in March 2019 from the Agencia Nacional de Aviacao Civil (ANAC), the Brazilian government aviation authority
- Advised **Abanca Corporacion Bancaria** on its \$438m acquisition of the Spanish commercial bank Banco Caixa Geral from the Portuguese banking group Caixa Geral de Depositos (CGD) in November 2018
- Advised **UK Green Investment Bank**, the government-created entity providing financing to renewable energy projects, on its \$2.95bn sale to Macquarie Group and the Universities Superannuation Scheme in April 2017

Over the years, we have advised the Governments of Denmark, Finland, and Norway on a number of companies that they control on privatisation issues. Some of the key privatisations in the Nordic regions in which BofA Securities has been involved include:

- The \$497m sale of shares in **Sampo** by the Government of Finland, in February 2020
- The \$1.1bn exchangeable bond & concurrent equity offering in **Sampo** by the Government of Finland, in February 2014
- The \$3.4bn sale of shares in **Nordea** by the Government of Sweden, in September 2013
- The defence of **Copenhagen Airport** and subsequent sale of a 60.8% stake in the company controlled by the Government of Denmark to Macquarie Airports for \$1.5bn, in December 2005

BofA Securities' Team

We employ more than 50 experienced professionals with Nordic backgrounds, of which around 25 are based in Stockholm. BofA Securities has had dedicated senior commitment to Sweden and the Nordic region for more than 30 years. In addition to the local Nordic capabilities we also offer to the Government the full strength of the BofA Securities franchise across products and industries. The Swedish Government is considered a key client with the full attention and involvement of the most senior level of our firm.

A Dedicated Team



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Co-Head of
Global M&A



Alexandre Gafsi
Chairman of
EMEA TMT



Sofia Carlstrom
Director
EMEA FIG



James Palmer
Head of
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