

## Risk Factors Relating to the Group

The Group faces competition from other exchanges and alternative trading platforms

The global exchange sector is highly competitive and, in the last few years, there has been increased consolidation

As a result of regulatory changes introduced in the last few years, a number of alternative trading platforms, including

In January 2012, Treasury BondSpot Poland – a market operated by BondSpot S.A. within the WSE Group – was

The Polish Power Exchange faces the risk of competition, among others, from large foreign exchanges, especially

Price competition and changes to the pricing policy affecting the exchange sector at large may decrease WSE's

The trading cost on large foreign exchanges and MTFs is lower than on WSE. Consolidations in the global exchange

The Group's operations are dependent on its ability to attract and retain skilled employees

In order to effectively manage its operations, the Group must employ highly qualified personnel. The skills of the

The Group's operations are dependent on third parties, over which the Group has limited or no control

The Group depends on a number of service providers, including in particular KDPW and KDPW\_CCP as well as

The Group's trading systems may malfunction

The Group's operations are dependent on the effective functioning of its trading systems, which are subject to

Malfunctions in the trading system and other integrated IT systems could delay a trading session and therefore

The Group's electronic trading platforms involve the storage and transmission of its clients' proprietary information

The Company is working to implement a new trading system and to create a technological platform which will be

Failure to implement the new trading system could have an adverse effect on the Group's business, results of

In October 2010, WSE entered into IT Agreements with NYSE Technologies SAS concerning delivery of the Un

Reduced activity of issuers and investors could reduce the number and value of new securities offerings and the

The Group's revenues and profits largely depend on the activity of investors on WSE, in particular the volume,

Regulatory fees constitute a significant portion of the Company's cost base, and the Company has minimal infl

WSE and KDPW are each required to contribute monthly payments to KNF's annual capital markets supervision

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