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# SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, DC 20549

FORM 6-K

Report of Foreign Private Issuer Pursuant to Rule 13a-16 or 15d-16 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 For June 9, 2011 Commission File Number 1-14642 ING Groep N.V.

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Amsterdam, 9 June 2011

#### **ING completes divestment of Clarion Partners**

ING announced today that it has completed the sale of Clarion Partners, ING s U.S.-based private market real estate investment manager, to Clarion Partners management in partnership with Lightyear Capital LLC for the previously disclosed amount of USD 100 million.

The transaction regarding Clarion Partners is one of the transactions ING announced on 15 February 2011 to sell the majority of its ING Real Estate Investment Management business (ING REIM).

The announcement in February also concerned the agreement to sell ING REIM Europe, ING REIM Asia and Clarion Real Estate Securities (CRES), ING REIM s global manager of listed real estate securities, as well as part of ING s equity interests in funds managed by these businesses to CB Richard Ellis Group. The sale to CB Richard Ellis of these businesses and interests continues to be on track for completion in the second half of this year.

Clarion Partners has EUR 15.9 billion in assets under management as of 31 March 2011. Lightyear is a US-based private equity firm.

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#### **About ING**

ING is a global financial institution of Dutch origin offering banking, investments, life insurance and retirement services. As of 31 March 2011, ING served more than 85 million private, corporate and institutional clients in more than 40 countries. With a diverse workforce of about 105,000 people, ING is dedicated to setting the standard in helping our clients manage their financial future.

#### IMPORTANT LEGAL INFORMATION

Certain of the statements contained herein are not historical facts, including, without limitation, certain statements made of future expectations and other forward-looking statements that are based on management s current views and assumptions and involve known and unknown risks and uncertainties that could cause actual results, performance or events to differ materially from those expressed or implied in such statements. Actual results, performance or events may differ materially from those in such statements due to, without limitation: (1) changes in general economic conditions, in particular economic conditions in ING s core markets, (2) changes in performance of financial markets, including developing markets, (3) the implementation of ING s restructuring plan to separate banking and insurance operations, (4) changes in the availability of, and costs associated with, sources of liquidity such as interbank funding, as well as conditions in the credit markets generally, including changes in borrower and counterparty creditworthiness, (5) the frequency and severity of insured loss events, (6) changes affecting mortality and morbidity levels and trends, (7) changes affecting persistency levels, (8) changes affecting interest rate levels, (9) changes affecting currency exchange rates, (10) changes in general competitive factors, (11) changes in laws and regulations, (12) changes in the policies of governments and/or regulatory authorities, (13) conclusions with regard to purchase accounting assumptions and methodologies, (14) changes in ownership that could affect the future availability to us of net operating loss, net capital and built-in loss carry forwards, and (15) ING s ability to achieve projected operational synergies. ING assumes no obligation to publicly update or revise any forward-looking statements, whether as a result of new information or for any other reason.

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Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

ING Groep N.V. (Registrant)

By: /s/ H. van Barneveld H.van Barneveld General Manager Group Finance & Control

By: /s/ C. Blokbergen C. Blokbergen Head Legal Department

Dated: June 9, 2011

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