BlackRock in the Netherlands

Independent fiduciary asset manager

BlackRock is a leading provider of investment, advisory and risk management solutions, and has been present in the Netherlands since 1998. Our purpose is to help more and more people experience financial well-being.

As an asset manager, we connect the capital of diverse individuals and institutions to investments in companies, projects and governments. This helps fuel growth, jobs and innovation, to the benefit of society as a whole. Our clients in the Netherlands include pension plans, insurers, investment banks, savings banks, foundations, official institutions, and individuals, for whom we manage approximately EUR 274bn.

Connecting client capital to companies and projects

We have put over EUR93bn from investors in the Netherlands and globally to work in the Dutch economy, supporting growth, jobs and innovation.

Real estate: Our real estate investment platform enables clients to invest in the Amsterdam office market, including the recent acquisition of an office property in Huidekoper, the city centre of Amsterdam.

Private debt: Our private debt team facilitates the financing of small and medium Dutch companies and provides capital to support the growth of those companies.

Delivering retirement solutions

Around two thirds of the capital we manage for clients globally relates to retirement solutions. In the Netherlands, we provide fiduciary management services and investment solutions to occupational pension schemes, corporate pension plans, and industry wide pension funds, as well as premium pension institutions (PPI), and general pension funds (APF) helping employees and members build future retirement income.

Providing individuals low cost access to diversified investments

Funds: Our goal is to provide our clients with easy access to investments and enable them to participate in the development of the economy. Our mutual funds and exchange traded funds (ETFs) give individuals and institutions in the Netherlands access to diversified investments, including in Dutch listed companies and sovereign bonds.

Highlights

Independent Asset Manager
Supervised by the Autoriteit Financiële Markten (AFM)
22 years: In the Netherlands since 1998
~70 employees in Amsterdam and Eindhoven
~EUR 274bn managed for clients in the Netherlands

Our Team: At home in Amsterdam
Our employees serve clients in the Netherlands with investment, advisory and risk management services. Specialist teams connect global expertise and local insights in Investment strategy, Sustainable investing, Cash management, Alternative Solutions, Mortgages, Portfolio and Risk Management.
Contributing to a robust regulatory regime
As part of our fiduciary duty to clients, BlackRock advocates for regulation that is transparent, protects investors and facilitates the responsible growth of capital markets. We participate in industry associations and forums including DUFAS (Dutch Fund and Asset Management Association), and Eumedion, of which we are board members.

Championing corporate governance and sustainable investing
BlackRock Investment Stewardship contributes to BlackRock's fiduciary duty to clients by engaging with companies and voting at annual meetings on their behalf, to promote business practices consistent with sustainable long-term value creation.

BlackRock is committed to helping people around the world invest sustainably. BlackRock signed the Dutch Climate Agreement in July 2019, and has been recognized by the SRI Connect IRRI Survey as the number one asset manager contributing to sustainable and responsible investing.

Sustainable index investing
In collaboration with the BlackRock Sustainable Investing (BSI) team, our iShares Sustainable colleagues develop a range of ETFs, that help to provide people with responsible investment options.

BlackRock Investment Institute
Our Amsterdam-based Investment Strategy team partners with financial and political experts across the firm to bring clients in the Netherlands the best of BlackRock’s thinking. BII’s insights are available at https://www.blackrock.com/corporate/insights/blackrock-investment-institute.

BlackRock Alternative Specialists
Our Amsterdam-based BlackRock Alternative Specialists (BAS) capability creates opportunities for clients in the Netherlands to invest in the illiquid alternatives business. The team provides expertise across real estate, infrastructure, private equity, private credit, and hedge funds.

Our story
BlackRock is an independently managed public company, founded in New York in 1988 by eight partners, four of whom remain active in the firm. Today, approximately 15,000 employees serve clients around the world. Investment centres in 25 cities facilitate access to major capital markets.¹

Regulation and supervision
Asset managers are subject to regulatory oversight at both the manager and portfolio levels. Regulation reflects the asset management business model, which includes managing client investments, but not deposit taking, or investing their own balance sheet.

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