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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549
Report of Foreign Private Issuer

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of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

For the month of March, 2018

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Telefónica, S.A.
(Translation of registrant's name into English)

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TELEFÓNICA, S.A. as provided in article 228 of the Spanish Stock Market Act (Ley del Mercado de Valores), hereby reports the following

SIGNIFICANT EVENT

Telefónica Europe B.V. (the "Issuer") invites today the holders of its outstanding

- (i) EUR 1,125,000,000 Undated 5 Year Non-Call Deeply Subordinated Guaranteed Fixed Rate Reset Securities (the "EUR 2018 Notes"),
- (ii) EUR 850,000,000 Undated 5 Year Non-Call Deeply Subordinated Guaranteed Fixed Rate Reset Securities (the "EUR 2019 Notes"),
- (iii) EUR 750,000,000 Undated 6 Year Non-Call Deeply Subordinated Guaranteed Fixed Rate Reset Securities (the "EUR 2020 Notes"),
- (iv) GBP 600,000,000 Undated 7 Year Non-Call Deeply Subordinated Guaranteed Fixed Rate Reset Securities (the "GBP Notes"),
- (v) EUR 625,000,000 Undated 8 Year Non-Call Deeply Subordinated Guaranteed Fixed Rate Reset Securities (the "EUR 2021 Notes"), and
- (vi) EUR 1,000,000,000 Undated 10 Year Non-Call Deeply Subordinated Guaranteed Fixed Rate Reset Securities (the "EUR 2024 Notes")

(each a "Series" and together the "Notes") irrevocably guaranteed by Telefónica, S.A. (the "Guarantor"), to tender such Notes for purchase by the Issuer for cash (each such invitation an "Offer" and together the "Offers").

The Offers are being made on the terms and subject to the conditions contained in the tender offer memorandum dated 13 March 2018 (the "Tender Offer Memorandum") and are subject to the restrictions set out in the Tender Offer Memorandum. Capitalised terms used and not otherwise defined in this announcement have the meaning given in the Tender Offer Memorandum.

Summary of the Offers

| Description of Notes | ISIN | First Reset Date | Aggregate Principal Amount Outstanding | Purchase Price | Benchmark Rate | Fixed Spread | Priority | Maximum Acceptance Amount |
|--|----------------|------------------|--|---|---|--------------|----------|---|
| EUR 1,125,000,000 Undated 5 Year Non-Call Deeply Subordinated Guaranteed Fixed Rate Reset Securities Current Coupon: 6.50% | XS0972570351 | 18/9/2018 | EUR 1,125,000,000 | EUR 103,187.67 per EUR 100,000 | N/A | N/A | 1 | Any and all |
| EUR 850,000,000 Undated 5 Year Non-Call Deeply Subordinated Guaranteed Fixed Rate Reset Securities Current Coupon: 4.20% | XS11483593564 | 12/2019 | EUR 850,000,000 | To be determined | EUR 2019 Notes Interpolated Mid-Swap Rate | 0.60% | 2 | An amount determined by the Issuer in its sole discretion. The total aggregate principal amount of Priority 2 Notes accepted for purchase will not exceed the difference between (i) the aggregate principal amount of New Notes (as defined herein) and (ii) the aggregate principal amount outstanding of the EUR 2018 Notes prior to the Offers |
| EUR 750,000,000 Undated 6 Year Non-Call Deeply | XS105046073931 | 3/2020 | EUR 750,000,000 | To be determined | EUR 2020 Notes Interpolated Mid-Swap Rate | 0.65% | 2 | An amount determined by the Issuer in its sole discretion. The total |

Subordinated
Guaranteed
Fixed Rate
Reset Securities
Current
Coupon: 5.00%

aggregate
principal amount
of Priority 2
Notes accepted
for purchase will
not exceed the
difference
between (i) the
aggregate
principal amount
of New Notes
(as defined
herein) and (ii)
the aggregate
principal amount
outstanding of
the EUR 2018
Notes prior to
the Offers

An amount
determined by
the Issuer in its
sole discretion.
The total
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herein) and (ii)
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principal amount
outstanding of
the EUR 2018
Notes prior to
the Offers

GBP
600,000,000
Undated 7 Year
Non-Call
Deeply
Subordinated
Guaranteed
Fixed Rate
Reset Securities
Current
Coupon: 6.75%

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GBP
600,000,000

To be
determined

GBP Notes
interpolated
Mid-Swap
Rate

0.95% 2

EUR
625,000,000
Undated 8 Year
Non-Call
Deeply
Subordinated
Guaranteed

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EUR
625,000,000

To be
determined

EUR 2021
Notes
Interpolated
Mid-Swap
Rate

1.00% 2

An amount
determined by
the Issuer in its
sole discretion.
The total
aggregate
principal amount

Fixed Rate
Reset Securities
Current
Coupon:
7.625%

of Priority 2
Notes accepted
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the Offers

EUR
1,000,000,000
Undated 10
Year Non-Call
Deeply
Subordinated
Guaranteed
Fixed Rate
Reset Securities
Current
Coupon:
5.875%

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EUR
1,000,000,000

To be
determined

EUR 2024
Notes
Interpolated 1.95% 2
Mid-Swap
Rate

The Offers commence on 13 March 2018 and will expire at 17:00 CET on 20 March 2018 (the "Expiration Deadline"), unless extended, re-opened, withdrawn or terminated at the sole discretion of the Issuer.
Purpose of the Offers

The purpose of the Offers and the planned issuance of New Notes (as defined below) is, amongst other things, to proactively manage the Issuer's layer of hybrid capital. The Offers also provide Noteholders with the opportunity to switch into the New Notes (as defined below) ahead of upcoming first call dates.

New Financing Condition

The Issuer intends to issue new EUR denominated Undated 5.7 Year Non-Call Deeply Subordinated Guaranteed Fixed Rate Reset Securities guaranteed by the Guarantor and new EUR denominated Undated 8.5 Year Non-Call Deeply Subordinated Guaranteed Fixed Rate Reset Securities guaranteed by the Guarantor (the "New Notes"). Whether the Issuer will accept for purchase any Notes validly tendered in the Offers is subject, without limitation, to the settlement of the issue of the New Notes (the "New Financing Condition").

Purchase Price

Subject to the applicable Minimum Denomination in respect of the relevant Series of Notes, the price payable per EUR 100,000 or GBP 100,000 (as applicable) in principal amount of the Notes (the "Purchase Price") will be (i) in respect of the EUR 2018 Notes, EUR 103,187.67 per EUR 100,000 and (ii) in respect of the remaining Series of Notes, calculated by reference to the sum of the relevant fixed spread in respect of that Series, as specified in the table above (the "Fixed Spread Amount") and the relevant Benchmark Rate at or around the Pricing Time, expressed as a percentage and rounded to the third decimal place (with 0.0005 being rounded upwards). In respect of any Notes accepted for purchase, the Issuer will also pay an amount equal to any accrued and unpaid interest on the relevant Notes from, and including, the relevant interest payment date for the Notes immediately preceding the Settlement Date up to, but excluding, the Settlement Date, which is expected to be no later than 23 March 2018.

Notes repurchased by the Issuer pursuant to the Offer may be cancelled. Notes which have not been validly tendered and accepted for purchase pursuant to the Offers will remain outstanding after the Settlement Date.

Maximum Acceptance Amount

The Issuer proposes to accept Notes for purchase up to a maximum aggregate principal amount equal to the aggregate principal amount of the New Notes (the "Maximum Acceptance Amount") on the terms and conditions contained in the Tender Offer Memorandum.

If the Issuer decides to accept any Notes for purchase pursuant to the Offers, the Issuer intends to accept any and all of the EUR 2018 Notes for purchase in priority to the Notes of any other Series. The Issuer intends that the aggregate principal amount of Notes of all remaining Series which it will accept for purchase (if any) will be an amount that will not exceed: (i) the Maximum Acceptance Amount, less (ii) the aggregate principal amount outstanding of the EUR 2018 Notes (being EUR 1,125,000,000). The Issuer will determine the allocation of the acceptance amounts across the remaining Series of Notes in its sole discretion, and reserves the right to accept significantly more or significantly less (or none) of any such Series (subject to pro rata scaling, if applicable) as compared to the other Series. If the Issuer decides to accept any GBP Notes for purchase, the Issuer will determine the Euro equivalent of the relevant Series Acceptance Amount based on the prevailing GBP/EUR exchange rate at the Expiration Deadline, as shown on Bloomberg Page BFIX (or, if such screen is unavailable or is manifestly erroneous, a generally recognised source for currency quotations with quotes as of a time as close as reasonably possible to the aforementioned time as determined by the Issuer).

Indicative Timetable

| Date | Number of Business Days from and including Launch | Action |
|---|---|---|
| 13 March 2018 | 1 | Commencement of the Offers |
| On or before the Expiration Deadline | | Pricing of the New Notes |
| 17:00 CET on 20 March 2018 | 6 | Expiration Deadline Deadline for receipt by the Tender Agent of all Tender Instructions in order for Noteholders to be able to participate in the Offers. |
| At or around 11:00 a.m. CET on 21 March 2018 | 7 | Indicative Results Announcement of the Maximum Acceptance Amount, including the GBP/EUR exchange rate, and non-binding indication by the Issuer of the level at which it intends to set each Series Acceptance Amount and indicative proration factors (if any). |
| At or around 1:00 p.m. CET on 21 March 2018 | 7 | Pricing Time Determination of each Benchmark Rate (for the purpose of calculating each Repurchase Yield and each Purchase Price) |
| As soon as practicable after 7 the Pricing Time | | Announcement of Result of Offers Announcement of the Issuer's decision whether to accept valid tenders of Notes for purchase pursuant to any or all of the Offers subject only to the satisfaction of the New Financing Condition and, if so accepted, details of (i) each Purchase Price, the Accrued Interest, each Repurchase Yield and each Benchmark Rate, (ii) the final aggregate principal amount of the Notes of each Series tendered pursuant to the Offers and (iii) each Series Acceptance Amount and the pro-ration factor, if applicable, distributed. |
| Expected to be on 23 March 2018 | 9 | Settlement Subject to satisfaction of the New Financing Condition, expected Settlement Date for the Offers. Payment of Purchase Consideration and Accrued Interest Payment in respect of the Offers. |

Madrid, March 13, 2018

None of the Offers, the Tender Offer Memorandum or this announcement constitute an offer of securities or the solicitation of an offer of securities to the public in Spain under the Spanish Securities Market Law approved by Legislative Royal Decree 4/2015, of 23 October (Real Decreto Legislativo 4/2015, de 23 de octubre, por el que se aprueba el texto refundido de la Ley del Mercado de Valores), Royal Decree 1310/2005, of 4 November 2005 and Royal Decree 1066/2007, of 27 July 2007. Accordingly, neither the Tender Offer Memorandum nor this announcement has been and will not be submitted for approval nor approved by the Spanish Securities Market Regulator (Comisión Nacional del Mercado de Valores).

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SIGNATURES

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.

Telefónica, S.A.

Date: March 13, 2018 By: /s/ Pablo de Carvajal González

Name: Pablo de Carvajal González

Title: Secretary to the Board of Directors