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**UNITED STATES  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
Washington, D.C. 20549**

**FORM 6-K**

**REPORT OF FOREIGN PRIVATE ISSUER PURSUANT TO RULE 13a-16 OR 15d-16 UNDER THE SECURITIES  
EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934**

**For the month of December 2017**

Commission File Number: **001-37384**

**GALAPAGOS NV**  
(Translation of registrant's name into English)

**Generaal De Wittelaan L11 A3**  
**2800 Mechelen, Belgium**  
(Address of principal executive office)

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant files or will file annual reports under cover of Form 20-F or Form 40-F.  
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The information contained in this report on Form 6-K, including the Exhibit 99.1 is hereby incorporated by reference into the Company's Registration Statements on Forms F-3 (File No. 333-211765) and S-8 (File Nos. 333-204567, 333-208697, 333-211834, 333-215783, and 333-218160).

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On December 18, 2017, the Registrant issued a press release, a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1 and is incorporated herein by reference.

(c) Exhibit 99.1. Press release dated December 18, 2017

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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.

GALAPAGOS NV

(Registrant)

Date: December 18, 2017

/s/ Xavier Maes

Xavier Maes

Company Secretary

## Transparency notification

**Mechelen, Belgium; 18 December 2017; 7.30 CET; regulated information - Galapagos NV (Euronext & NASDAQ: GLPG) received a transparency notification from Gilead Sciences, Inc.**

Pursuant to Belgian transparency legislation<sup>[1]</sup>, Galapagos received a transparency notification on 13 December 2017 from Gilead Sciences, Inc., who notified that its subsidiary Gilead Biopharmaceutics Ireland UC transferred its holding of 6,760,701 Galapagos shares on 7 December 2017 to its subsidiary Gilead Therapeutics A1 Unlimited Company. This shareholding represents 13.27% of Galapagos' currently outstanding 50,936,778 shares, and represents no change in the number of shares compared to the previous transparency notification from Gilead Sciences Inc. on 20 January 2016. The full transparency notice is available on the Galapagos website.

### About Galapagos

Galapagos (Euronext & NASDAQ: GLPG) is a clinical-stage biotechnology company specialized in the discovery and development of small molecule medicines with novel modes of action. Galapagos' pipeline comprises Phase 3 through to discovery programs in cystic fibrosis, inflammation, fibrosis, osteoarthritis and other indications. Our target discovery platform has delivered three novel mechanisms showing promising patient results in, respectively, inflammatory diseases, idiopathic fibrosis and atopic dermatitis. Galapagos is focused on the development and commercialization of novel medicines that will improve people's lives. The Galapagos group, including fee-for-service subsidiary Fidelta, has approximately 578 employees, operating from its Mechelen, Belgium headquarters and facilities in the Netherlands, France, and Croatia. More information at [www.glpg.com](http://www.glpg.com).

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[1] Belgian Act of 2 May 2007 on the disclosure of major shareholdings in issuers whose shares are admitted to trading on a regulated market.