



**Opportunity to submit statements for publication  
prior to the General Meeting**

The concept of the virtual General Meeting pursuant to the COVID-19 Act does not provide for shareholders to express their views on the agenda in speeches at the General Meeting. Beyond the requirements of the COVID-19 Act, however, shareholders and their proxies with their consent will be given the opportunity to submit statements in the form of video messages relating to the agenda prior to the General Meeting for publication in the Company's Shareholder Portal, where those statements can be viewed by shareholders and their proxies until the end of the General Meeting.

Shareholders and proxies providing their names can submit statements in video form until **8 May 2022 (24:00 hours CEST)** at the latest via the Shareholder Portal.

Properly submitted statements disclosing the name of the submitting shareholder and, as the case may be, proxy will be published in the Shareholder Portal, provided that the following instructions are adhered to when submitting them.

Statements are to be submitted in German or English only and should not exceed a duration of three minutes. The background should be neutral. **Important: Please ensure that your video statement is recorded in landscape format.** Only those statements are permitted in which the shareholder or, as the case may be, the proxy appears in person. After consent of the shareholder and, as the case may be, the proxy, in the Shareholder Portal and submission of the statement, such statement is published in the Shareholder Portal, including the name of the shareholder and, as the case may be, of the proxy. The consent can be withdrawn at any time with effect for the future.

Please note that there is no legal right to the publication of a statement. The Company reserves the right not to publish statements with a duration exceeding three minutes as well as statements not fulfilling the technical requirements or



being without any relevant reference to the agenda of the General Meeting as well as statements which are not submitted by the aforementioned date. The same applies to statements with insulting or criminally relevant content or obviously false or misleading content. Furthermore, the Company reserves the right to publish only one statement per shareholder. Any motions, election proposals or questions contained in the submitted statements will not be considered. These are to be submitted exclusively via the channels described separately in this convening.