

### Invitation to the Annual General Meeting of Shareholders

Dear Shareholders,

We are pleased to invite you to the Annual General Meeting which will be held on

#### Wednesday, April 1, 2015, at 10 a.m. (doors open at 9 a.m.),

at Eulachhallen, Wartstrasse 73, in Winterthur.

#### Agenda

#### Welcome address and general remarks to the Annual General Meeting

#### 1. Annual report 2014

1.1 Annual report, annual accounts and consolidated financial statements 2014; Reports of the Auditors

The Board of Directors proposes that the annual report, the annual accounts and the consolidated financial statements 2014 be approved.

## **1.2** Advisory vote on the compensation report 2014 The Board of Directors proposes to approve the compensation report 2014 according to pages 61–80 of the annual report 2014 (non-binding advisory vote).

#### 2. Appropriation of net profits

The Board of Directors proposes to distribute the total balance of CHF 590,451,016, comprising the net profits for the year 2014 of CHF 575,000,000 and retained profits of CHF 15,451,016, as follows:

<ul> <li>Dividend payment</li> </ul>	CHF	119,918,295
-Allocation to free reserves	CHF	300,000,000
- Carried forward to new account	CHF	170,532,721

If this proposal is approved, the gross dividend (before deduction of the Swiss withholding tax of 35%) will amount to CHF 3.50 per share. Dividends will be paid out on April 9, 2015. Any shares held by Sulzer Ltd and its subsidiaries on the dividend record date shall not be eligible to dividends.

#### 3. Discharge

The Board of Directors proposes that discharge be granted to its members and the Executive Committee for the business year 2014.

## 4. Revision of the Articles of Association (amendments due to changes of Swiss corporate law)

The Board of Directors proposes to revise the Articles of Association according to the proposed changes published in the Swiss Official Gazette of Commerce (SOGC).

Explanation: The Articles of Association have to be revised due to the entry into force of the Ordinance against Excessive Compensation with respect to Listed Stock Corporations of

November 20, 2013 (OaEC), as well as changes to the Swiss Code of Obligations. You will find explanations of the proposed changes to the Articles of Association, as well as a comparison of the respective provisions of the current and the proposed amended Articles of Association in a separate report of the Board of Directors.

## 5. Compensation of the members of the Board of Directors and the Executive Committee

#### 5.1 Compensation of the Board of Directors

The Board of Directors proposes to approve a maximum aggregate amount of compensation of the Board of Directors of CHF 2,400,000 for their term of office from the 2015 Annual General Meeting to the 2016 Annual General Meeting.

Explanation: The enclosed brochure sets out further details in relation to this proposal. In addition, the compensation system of Sulzer is described in the compensation report at www.sulzer.com/AR14.

#### 5.2 Compensation of the Executive Committee

The Board of Directors proposes to approve a maximum aggregate amount of compensation of the Executive Committee of CHF 18,800,000 for the business year 2016.

Explanation: The enclosed brochure sets out further details in relation to this proposal. In addition, the compensation system of Sulzer is described in the compensation report at www.sulzer.com/AR14.

#### 6. Elections of the Board of Directors

#### 6.1 Re-election of the Chairman of the Board of Directors

The Board of Directors proposes to re-elect Mr. Peter Löscher for a one-year term as a member and Chairman of the Board of Directors.

#### 6.2 Re-elections

The Board of Directors proposes to re-elect Messrs. Matthias Bichsel, Thomas Glanzmann, Mrs. Jill Lee, Messrs. Marco Musetti and Klaus Sturany for a further one-year term of office. Elections will be held individually.

Mr. Luciano Respini will not stand for re-election.

#### 6.3 Election of a new member

The Board of Directors proposes to elect Mr. Gerhard Roiss for a one-year term as a new member of the Board of Directors.

For information relating to the proposed member see www.sulzer.com/AGM.

#### 7. Elections of the Remuneration Committee

#### 7.1 Re-election of two members to the Remuneration Committee

The Board of Directors proposes to re-elect the members of the Board of Directors Messrs. Thomas Glanzmann and Marco Musetti for a one-year term as members of the Remuneration Committee. Elections will be held individually. Mr. Luciano Respini will not stand for re-election.

## **7.2. Election of a new member to the Remuneration Committee** The Board of Director proposes to elect Mrs. Jill Lee for a one-year term as a new member of the Remuneration Committee.

#### 8. Re-election of Auditors

The Board of Directors proposes to re-elect KPMG Ltd, Zürich, for a one-year term as Auditors.

#### 9. Re-election of the independent proxy

The Board of Directors proposes to re-elect Proxy Voting Services GmbH, Zürich, for a one-year term as the independent proxy. For further information see www.proxyvotingservices.ch.

#### Miscellaneous

The **annual report**, the compensation report and the auditors' reports for 2014 are available for inspection at the registered office of the Company in Winterthur and are also published under www.sulzer.com/AR14. Enclosed is a summary of the annual report.

Shareholders registered in the share register as of March 25, 2015 are entitled to exercise their **voting rights** at the Annual General Meeting. The registration for exercising the voting right has no influence on the ability to trade the shares. Admission tickets already issued will automatically lose their validity should the relevant shares be sold between March 25, 2015 and the date of the Annual General Meeting.

Admission tickets will be sent to shareholders on request. You can register using the enclosed reply form by regular mail to Sulzer Ltd, Share Register, or online.

Admission tickets which can no longer be mailed on time will be ready for collection at the Annual General Meeting from the share register information desk.

#### **Representation / Proxy**

Shareholders who will not be attending the Annual General Meeting may arrange to be represented by proxy. Such **proxy** may be granted either to:

• the independent proxy, Proxy Voting Services GmbH, Grossmünsterplatz 1, 8001 Zürich.

Voting instructions may be indicated on the reply form.

To the extent you do not mark options for instructions on the reply form, you instruct, by signing the reply form, the independent proxy to cast your votes in favour of the proposals of the Board of Directors.

- another shareholder of Sulzer Ltd who is entitled to vote.
- the legal representative of the shareholder.

The exact **venue** of the Annual General Meeting is shown on the map on the last page of this invitation. Please note that the number of parking places at the Eulachhallen is limited.

We are pleased to offer the participating shareholders an aperitif following the Annual General Meeting.

For questions concerning the Annual General Meeting please contact our share register directly: tel. +41 (0)52 262 20 82 / 42 08 or e-mail: Corp.Aktienregister@sulzer.com

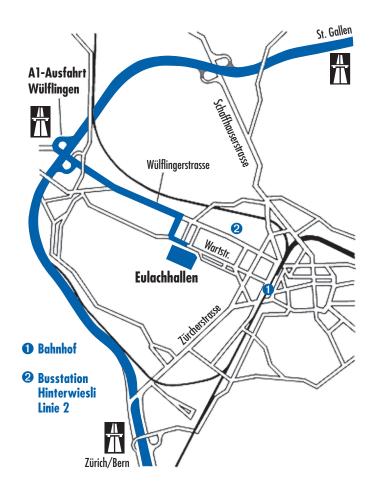
The minutes of the resolutions of the Annual General Meeting will be available at the registered office of the Company and published online at www.sulzer.com/AGM.

Yours sincerely On behalf of the Board of Directors of Sulzer Ltd

Peter Löscher Chairman

Enclosures: Reply form with reply envelopes Explanations to the reply form Summary of the annual report 2014 Report of the Board of Directors on the revision of the Articles of Association Shareholder information on the compensation votes

P.S. Simultaneous translation from German into English and vice versa will be available.



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From 9 a.m. on extra courses of Winterthur city busses to the Eulachhallen will be departing in front of the main station (Sector G).

Return transport will be provided after the Annual General Meeting.

# Shareholder information on the compensation votes at the 2015 Annual General Meeting

Agenda Item 5

## Agenda Item 5.1

## Binding vote on the maximum aggregate compensation of the Board of Directors from the 2015 Annual General Meeting to the 2016 Annual General Meeting

Proposal: The Board of Directors proposes to approve a maximum aggregate amount of compensation of the Board of Directors of CHF 2 400 000 for their term of office from the 2015 Annual General Meeting to the 2016 Annual General Meeting.

Explanation: This binding vote, which is conducted for the first time since the entry into force of the Ordinance against excessive compensation in stock listed corporations, allows shareholders to vote directly on the aggregate maximum compensation amount of the Board of Directors for the forthcoming term of office. The proposed amount allows for a maximum aggregate compensation of the Board of Directors for the term of office from the 2015 AGM to the 2016 AGM of CHF 2 400 000.

In order to reinforce their independence, the members of the Board of Directors of Sulzer receive a fixed compensation only. They are neither eligible to variable or performance-based compensation nor entitled to participate in the pension benefit plans of Sulzer. The compensation of the Board of Directors is delivered partly in cash and partly in Restricted Stock Units (RSU) and is summarized below:

Compensation of the Board of Directors <sup>1</sup>						
thousands of CHF	Fees in cash	Fair value of RSU				
Member of the Board of Directors	70	125				
Chairman of the Board of Directors <sup>2</sup>	420	250				
Vice-Chairman of the Board of Directors	100	155				
Additional committee fees:						
Committee chairman	40					
Committee member	25					

<sup>1</sup> Compensation for the term of office from AGM to AGM.

<sup>2</sup> The Chairman of the Board of Directors is not entitled to receive additional committee fees

The following table illustrates the composition of the proposed maximum aggregate amount of CHF 2 400 000 for the compensation of the Board of Directors for their term of office from the 2015 AGM to the 2016 AGM.

Proposal		
2015 AGM – 2016 AGM		
1 125		
905		
243		
127		
2 400		

Includes basic membership fee and committee fees.

<sup>2</sup> Compensation for ad hoc committees and significant additional assignments (if any).

The actual compensation payout, including the distribution among these non-binding components, will be disclosed in the 2015 and 2016 compensation reports, respectively, which will be submitted to an advisory shareholder vote.

Further information on the compensation of the Board of Directors is provided in the 2014 compensation report (www.sulzer.com/AR14).

## Agenda Item 5.2

## Binding vote on the maximum aggregate compensation of the Executive Committee for the financial year 2016

Proposal: The Board of Directors proposes to approve a maximum aggregate amount of compensation of the Executive Committee of CHF 18 800 000 for the financial year 2016.

Explanation: This binding vote, which is conducted for the first time since the entry into force of the Ordinance against excessive compensation in stock listed corporations, allows shareholders to vote directly on the aggregate maximum compensation amount of the Executive Committee for the forthcoming financial year. The proposed amount allows for a maximum aggregate compensation of the Executive Committee for the financial year 2016 of CHF 18 800 000.

The compensation policy of Sulzer is driven by the performance orientation of the company and a strong alignment with long-term shareholder value creation and sustainable growth. Therefore, the overall compensation of the members of the Executive Committee consists of a fixed and a variable compensation. The variable compensation is performance-based and includes a short-term incentive (in cash) and a long-term Performance Share Unit (PSU) plan. This system shall encourage and reward superior performance.

Base salary	Benefits	Bonus in cash (short-term incentive)	Performance Share Unit (PSU) Plan (long-term incentive)
Reflects the function and scope of responsibilities, as well as the personal profile of the incumbent (experience and skill set)	Establishes a level of security for the employees and their dependents against risks such as age, death, disability and health. Tailored to local regulations and market practice	Rewards performance and the achievement of business, financial and personal objectives over a one-year period	Rewards the company's success over a three-year period and drives long-term shareholder value creation. Ties compensation to the long-term performance of the Sulzer share

The following table illustrates the composition of the proposed maximum aggregate amount of CHF 18 800 000 for the compensation of the Executive Committee for the financial year 2016. Furthermore, the table shows the compensation effectively paid out or granted in the financial years 2013 and 2014 and the maximum amount of compensation which would have been payable under the applicable compensation plans upon the maximal achievement of the performance targets.

Yearly compensation of the Executive Committee	2013	2013	2014	2014	2015 <sup>3</sup>	2016 <sup>3</sup>
thousands of CHF	Max	Actual	Max	Actual	Max	Max proposed
Base salary	3 878	3 878	3 139	3 139	3 142	3 500
Bonus in cash	5 071	2 298	4 056	2 752	4 264	4 460
Other	212	212	103	103	245	245
Fair value of the Restricted Stock Units (RSU)	556	495	1 800	1 800	-	-
Cap value of the Performance Share Units (PSU) <sup>1</sup>	22 100	3 639	7 370	2 834	8 370	8 370
Contributions to pension benefits and social security <sup>2</sup>	3 339	2 626	2 220	1 809	2 175	2 225
Total compensation	35 156	13 148	18 688	12 437	18 196	18 800

<sup>1</sup> 2013 Actual and 2014 Actual: represents the full fair value at grant.

<sup>2</sup> 2 Employer contributions. Contributions to social security are owed under mandatory law. The maximum amount included for 2016 covers contributions to social security to be made (or expected to be made) with respect to base salaries, bonuses in cash and other compensation as well as PSU (based on the cap value), as well as contributions to account to the maximum amount included for 2016 covers contributions to social security to be made (or expected to be made) with respect to base salaries, bonuses in cash and other compensation as well as PSU (based on the cap value), as well as contributions to account to the cap value).

<sup>3</sup> An additional Executive Committee member was appointed in March 2015.

The actual compensation payout, including the distribution among these non-binding components, will be disclosed in 2016 compensation report, which will be submitted to an advisory shareholder vote.

Further information on the compensation of the Executive Committee is provided in the 2014 compensation report (www.sulzer.com/AR14).