

Fresenius Medical Care AG & Co. KGaA

Annual General Meeting on 16 May 2019 Explanations on the Rights of Shareholders according to section 278 (3) in connection with sections 122 (2), 126 (1), 127, and 131 (1) German Stock Corporation Act

The invitation to the Annual General Meeting already contains information regarding the rights of shareholders according to section 278 (3) in connection with sections 122 (2), 126 (1), 127, and 131 (1) German Stock Corporation Act (*Aktiengesetz – AktG*). The following information shall serve as a further explanation in respect of such shareholder rights.

1. Supplements to the agenda at the request of a minority according to section 278 (3) AktG in connection with section 122 (2) AktG

Shareholders whose total combined shares amount to the twentieth part of the registered share capital or the proportionate amount of the share capital of EUR 500,000 (that is equivalent to 500,000 non-par value shares), can request, according to section 278 (3) AktG in connection with section 122 (2) AktG, that items be placed on the agenda and notice thereof be given. For each new item, reasons or a draft resolution must be attached.

Supplemental requests must be received by the Company at least 30 days prior to the Meeting in writing. The day of receipt and the day of the General Meeting are not included in that calculation. Therefore, the last possible date for receipt is **15 April 2019 (24:00 hours CEST)**. Supplemental requests received after that date cannot be taken into account.

Applicants must provide evidence that they hold the minimum quantity of shares for at least ninety days prior to the day of the receipt of the supplemental request and that they hold the shares until the General Partner's decision on the supplemental request (section 278 (3) AktG in connection with section 122 (2), (1) sentence 3 AktG), with section 70 AktG being applicable when calculating the time for which shares have been held.



We ask shareholders to submit any supplemental requests to the following address:

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Die persönlich haftende Gesellschafterin
Fresenius Medical Care Management AG
– Vorstand –
Else-Kröner-Straße 1
61352 Bad Homburg v. d. H.
Germany

Supplements to the agenda to be published will be published without undue delay after receipt of the request in the Federal Gazette and will be fed to those media for publication with respect to which can be expected that they broadcast the information in the entire European Union. In addition, they will be published on the Internet site at www.freseniusmedicalcare.com/en/agm/ and will be notified to the shareholders according to section 125 (1) sentence 3 AktG.

The provisions of the AktG on which these shareholder rights are based, are, in extracts:

Section 122 Convocation at the request of a minority (excerpt)

- (1) The General Meeting is to be called if shareholders whose combined shares in total amount to at least the twentieth part of the share capital demand the calling of the General Meeting in writing, stating the purpose and grounds therefore; the demand is to be addressed to the Management Board. The Articles of Association can link the right to demand the calling of a General Meeting to another form and to the holding of a lesser proportion of the share capital. The applicants must provide evidence that they hold the shares for at least 90 days prior to the day of the receipt of the request and that they hold the shares until the Management Board's decision on the request. Section 121 (7) applies accordingly.
- (2) In the same manner, shareholders whose holdings together reach the twentieth part of the share capital or the proportionate amount of EUR 500,000 can demand that items be placed on the agenda and announced. Each new item must be accompanied by grounds or a proposal for a resolution. The demand in the meaning of sentence 1 must be received by the Company at least 24 days, in the case of listed companies at least 30 days, prior to the General Meeting. The day of receipt is not included in the calculation.



Section 121 General information (excerpt)

(7) For periods and deadlines counted backwards from the date of the General Meeting, the day of the General Meeting shall not be included in the calculation. Any move from a Sunday, Saturday or public holiday to a preceding or subsequent business day shall not be possible. Sections 187 to 193 of the German Civil Code (Bürgerliches Gesetzbuch) shall not be applied accordingly.

Section 70 Calculation of the period of shareholding

If the exercise of rights arising from the share requires that the shareholder has been the holder of such share for a certain period of time, the right to demand transfer of title from a credit institution, a financial services institution or an enterprise operating under section 53 (1) sentence 1 or section 53b (1) sentence 1 or section 53b (7) of the German Banking Act (Gesetz über das Kreditwesen) shall be deemed equivalent to ownership. The period during which the share has been owned by a predecessor shall be attributed to the shareholder if he / she has acquired the share without consideration, from his / her trustee, as full legal successor, in connection with the winding-up of a co-ownership or as a result of a transfer of assets pursuant to section 13 of the German Insurance Supervisory Act (Versicherungsaufsichtsgesetz) or section 14 of the German Building Loan Associations Act (Gesetz über Bausparkassen).

2. Motions and proposals for election by shareholders according to section 278 (3)
AktG in connection with sections 126 (1), 127 AktG

Prior to the General Meeting shareholders may send countermotions to the Company regarding proposals made by the General Partner and the Supervisory Board pertaining to a specific item on the agenda. Shareholders may also submit proposals for the election of the auditors and the members of the Supervisory Board. Reasons must be given for countermotions. For proposals for election, however, no reasons need to be given.

Countermotions and proposals for election to be made accessible that have been received at the address mentioned below at least 14 days prior to the General Meeting, the day of receipt and the day of the General Meeting not being included in the calculation, i.e. **1 May 2019 (24:00 hours CEST)** at the latest, will be made available on the Company's website



to the other shareholders, including the name of the shareholder and any reasons given at www.freseniusmedicalcare.com/en/agm/.

Any comments of the management will also be published under this internet address.

Countermotions and proposals for election are to be sent only to

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Countermotions and proposals for election sent to any other address cannot be taken into account.

Countermotions and reasons given do not need to be made accessible under the prerequisites set out in section 126 (2) sentence 1 AktG. According to section 126 (2) sentence 2 AktG, the reasons for a countermotion also do not need to be made accessible if they amount to more than 5,000 characters in total. Section 126 AktG applies analogously to the proposal of a shareholder for the election of the auditors pursuant to section 127 AktG. Proposals for the election of the auditors and members of the Supervisory Board according to section 127 AktG will moreover only be made accessible if they contain the name, the profession exercised and the residential address of the proposed person or the name and registered office of the proposed legal entity. A proposal for the election of members of the Supervisory Board must include information on their membership in other supervisory boards whose establishment is required by law; information on their membership in comparable domestic and foreign controlling bodies of economic enterprises should be included.

The provisions of the AktG on which these shareholder rights are based and which also specify the requirements under which the countermotions and proposals for election need not be made accessible read as follows:



Section 126 Motions by shareholders

- (1) Motions of shareholders including the name of the shareholder, the grounds and any comments of the management are to be made accessible to those entitled in accordance with section 125 (1) to (3) subject to the conditions stated there, if the shareholder has sent a countermotion to a proposal of the Management Board and Supervisory Board on a specific item on the agenda to the Company with grounds to the address specified for that purpose in the invitation at least 14 days prior to the General Meeting. The day of receipt is not included in the calculation. In the case of listed companies, the access is to be granted through the Internet site of the Company. Section 125 (3) applies accordingly.
- (2) A countermotion and its grounds need not be made accessible:
 - 1. to the extent the Management Board by making it accessible would be liable to criminal prosecution,
 - 2. if the countermotion would lead to a resolution of the General Meeting contrary to law or the Articles of Association,
 - 3. if the grounds are obviously false in significant points or contain misleading data or insults,
 - 4. if a countermotion of the shareholder based on the same facts has already been made accessible to a General Meeting of the Company according to section 125,
 - 5. if the same countermotion of the shareholder with significantly the same grounds has been made accessible in the past five (5) years to at least two (2) General Meetings of the Company according to section 125 and less than the twentieth part of the represented share capital voted for it at the General Meeting,
 - 6. if the shareholder gives notice that he will not participate in the General Meeting and not be represented there, or
 - 7. if the shareholder has not, in the past two (2) years in two (2) General Meetings, put a countermotion notified by him or has not caused such a countermotion to be put.

The grounds need not be made accessible if they amount in total to more than 5,000 characters.

(3) If several shareholders submit countermotions on the same resolution subject matter, the Management Board can combine the countermotions and their grounds.



Section 127 Election proposals by shareholders (excerpt)

Section 126 applies mutatis mutandis for the proposal of a shareholder on the election of Supervisory Board members or of auditors. The election proposal need not be given grounds for. The Management Board is not obliged to make the election proposal accessible if the proposal does not contain the data according to section 124 (3) sentence 4 and section 125 (1) sentence 5.

Section 124 (3) sentence 4

The proposal for the election of members of the supervisory board or auditors shall state their names, actual profession and place of residence.

Section 125 (1) sentence 5

In the case of listed companies, any nomination for the election of supervisory board members must be accompanied by details on the membership in other supervisory boards whose establishment is required by law; details on their membership in comparable domestic and foreign controlling bodies of business enterprises should also be provided.

3. Shareholders' information rights according to section 278 (3) AktG in connection with section 131 (1) AktG

Information on the affairs of the Company including the legal and business relationships with affiliated enterprises and on the situation of the group and the enterprises included in the consolidated group financial statements is to be given by the General Partner to every shareholder upon the latter's request in the General Meeting. This only applies to the extent the information is necessary for a proper evaluation of the item on the agenda.

The provisions of the AktG on which these shareholder rights are based and which also specify the requirements under which information need not be granted read as follows:



Section 131 Shareholder's right to obtain information

- (1) Every shareholder is on request in the General Meeting to be informed by the Management Board about matters of the Company to the extent this is necessary for proper evaluation of items on the agenda. The information obligation also extends to the legal and business relationships of the Company to an affiliate. If a Company avails of the reliefs in section 266 (1) sentence 3, section 276 or section 288 of the German Commercial Code (Handelsgesetzbuch HGB), every shareholder can demand that the annual financial statements be presented to him in the General Meeting on the annual financial statements in the form which they would have had without these reliefs. The information obligation of the Management Board of a parent Company (section 90 (1), (2) HGB) in the General Meeting to which the consolidated financial statements and the consolidated management report are presented also extends to the situation of the group and the enterprises included in the consolidated financial statements.
- (2) The information must correspond to the principles of conscientious and true accounting. The Articles of Association or the rules of procedure according to section 129 can authorize the chairman of the General Meeting to limit the shareholders' time for asking questions and speaking and can provide for the details hereto.
- (3) The Management Board may refuse information
 - 1. to the extent the granting of information would be suitable on reasonable commercial evaluation to inflict a not insignificant disadvantage on the Company or an affiliate;
 - to the extent it refers to valuations for tax purposes or the amount of individual taxes;
 - 3. about the difference between the value shown for items in the annual balance sheet and a higher value of these items unless the General Meeting approves the annual financial statements;
 - 4. about the accountancy and valuation methods to the extent the data on these methods in the notes is adequate in order to provide a picture of the asset, finance and profit situation of the Company corresponding to the factual position in the meaning of section 264 (2) HGB; this shall not apply if the General Meeting approves the annual financial statements;
 - 5. to the extent the Management Board would, by granting the information, become liable to criminal prosecution;



- to the extent, in the case of a financial institution or a financial services institution, data on the applied accountancy and valuation methods and the conducted set-offs in the annual financial statements, management report, consolidated financial statements and consolidated management report need not be given;
- 7. to the extent the information has been continually accessible on the Internet site of the Company for at least seven (7) days prior to the beginning of and in the General Meeting.

The information may not be refused on other grounds.

- (4) If a shareholder is given information in his capacity as a shareholder outside the General Meeting, this information is also to be given to every other shareholder at his request in the General Meeting even if it is not necessary for the proper evaluation of an item on the agenda. The Management Board may not refuse the information according to (3) sentence 1 no. 1 to 4. Sentences 1 and 2 do not apply if a subsidiary (section 290 (1), (2) HGB), a joint venture (section 310 (1) HGB) or an associated enterprise (section 311 (1) HGB) has given the information to a parent Company (section 290 (1), (2) of the HGB) for the purpose of the inclusion of the Company in the consolidated financial statements of the parent enterprise and the information is necessary for this purpose.
- (5) If information is refused to a shareholder, he can demand that his question and the grounds on which the information is refused be included in the minutes of the General Meeting.

In addition, the chairman of the General Meeting is entitled to various measures for the conduct and order of the General Meeting. This includes restricting the right to speak and question. The provision in Article 17 (2) of the Articles of Association of the Company on which this is based reads as follows:

Article 17 (2) of the Articles of Association of the Company

The chairman shall chair the meeting and determine the order of items to be dealt with as well as the kind and form of the voting. The chairman is entitled to reasonably limit the speaking time of the shareholders and the time to ask questions from the beginning of the general meeting on, if such limitation is allowed by law.