Triodos @ Investment Management

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MEETING DATE	Thu, 30 Apr 2020 10:30 am	TYPE	AGM	ISSUE DATE	Fri, 17 Apr 2020
MEETING LOCATION	Ratio 6, 6921 RW Duiven, the Netherlands				
CURRENT INDICES	PIRC Global				
SECTOR	Semiconductors and related devices				

	PROPOSALS	ADVICE	
1	Open Meeting Non-voting agenda item.		
2	Receive Annual Report Non-voting agenda item.	Non-Voting	
3	Approve the Remuneration Report It is proposed to approve the implementation of the remuneration report. There are concerns regarding excess as the total variable remuneration exceeded 200% of the salary. The Company has not fully disclosed quantified targets against which the achievements and the corresponding variable remuneration has been calculated. Although a common practice in this market as this is deemed to be sensitive information, it prevents an accurate assessment and may lead to overpayment against underperformance. There are claw back clauses in place over the entirety of the variable remuneration, which is welcomed. Triodos opposes this resolution.		
4	Receive the Annual Report Disclosure is considered adequate and the report was made available sufficiently before the meeting. The financial statements have been audited and certified. A vote in favour is recommended.		
5.a	Receive Explanation on Company's Reserves and Dividend Policy Non-voting agenda item.	Non-Voting	
5.b	Approve the Dividend The Board proposes a dividend of EUR 1.01 per share. The dividend is covered by earnings. Acceptable proposal.	For	
6.a	Discharge the Management Board Standard proposal. No serious governance concerns have been identified. Support is recommended. Triodos supports this resolution.	For	
6.b	Discharge the Supervisory Board Standard proposal. No serious governance concerns have been identified. Support is recommended.	For	
7.a	Approve Remuneration Policy	Oppose	

It is proposed to approve the remuneration policy. Variable remuneration appears to be consistently capped, although the pay-out may exceed 200% of the fixed remuneration for the highest paid director. There are claw back clauses in place over the entirety of the variable remuneration, which is welcomed. However, the Company has not disclosed quantified targets for performance criteria for its variable remuneration component, which may lead to overpayment against underperformance. On balance, opposition is recommended based on excessiveness

7.b Approve Fees Payable to the Board of Directors

The Board is seeking approval for Board and Committee membership fees for non-executive directors. No increase has been proposed and support is recommended.

For

8 Re-elect Ms Mona ElNaggar For Independent Non-Executive Director.

9 Issue Shares for Cash For

It is proposed to authorize the Board to issue shares without pre-emptive rights until next AGM. The proposed amount of shares issued is less than 10% of the current share capital. Meets guidelines.

10 Authorise Share Repurchase For

It is proposed to authorise the Board to purchase Company's shares for 10% and 12 months. Triodos supports this resolution.

11 Authorise Cancellation of Treasury Shares For

The Board requests authorisation to reduce share capital via cancellation of own shares. As it is considered that this does not have a negative effect on shareholder rights, a vote in favour is recommended.

12 Other Business Non-Voting

Non-voting agenda item.

13 Close Meeting

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Non-voting agenda item.

Non-voting

SUPPORTING INFORMATION FOR RESOLUTIONS

Proposal 6.a - Discharge the Management Board

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Proposal 6.b - Discharge the Supervisory Board

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