



**NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS REGARDING PAYMENT OF STOCK DIVIDENDS  
FOR THE 2012 FINANCIAL YEAR**

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**Reminder:**

Dividend: €0.70 per share

The dividend can be paid in cash or in stock, applicable to the entire amount of dividend to which the shareholder is entitled.

For shareholders opting for dividend payment in stock,  
the price per new share issued as a stock dividend is: €40.84

**Steps:**

A letter is sent to registered shareholders on: May 7, 2013

Period during which the shareholder shall advise  
its financial intermediary of his/her option to receive  
the dividend in cash or in shares May 7, 2013 to May 24, 2013 inclusive

At the end of this option period and if the shareholder has not advised the Company or its financial intermediary of a specific choice of payment, the dividend can only be paid in cash.

If the amount of the dividend does not divide up into a whole number of shares, the shareholder may decide to:

- either receive a number of shares rounded down to the next lower whole number, with a balancing cash payment made to the shareholder by the Company;
- or receive a number of shares rounded up to the next higher whole number, with payment of the difference in cash made by the shareholder on option date.

Date of payment of cash dividend  
and of issuance of new shares: June, 3 2013