

Agenda item No.8

Approval, for a period of 18 months, for the Company to buy back its own shares for trading purposes as per §§ 65, Paragraph 1, No. 7 of the Companies Act. The number of shares purchased as per this authorisation and as per §§ 65, Paragraph 1, Nos. 1, 4 and 7 of the Companies Act should not exceed 10% of the share capital. The purchase price of each share must not be less than EUR 10 or more than EUR 80. With the permission of the Supervisory Board, shares purchased in this way are to be used for issue of shares as consideration for acquisitions of companies, businesses, parts of businesses or shareholdings in one or more domestic or international companies, or otherwise sold on the market or offered to the public. The Board of Directors should also be authorised to cancel Erste Bank's own shares without further AGM resolutions. A Board report will follow to accompany agenda item No. 8.