

ANNOUNCEMENT

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Total voting rights announcement according to article 93 section 1 BörseG (Austrian Stock **Exchange Act)**

In relation to the planned redemption of the entire outstanding participation capital of EUR 1.76 billion, a capital increase was conducted to further strengthen Erste Group AG's capital base.

The total number of Erste Group shares rose by 35,231,353 shares from 394,568,647 to 429,800,000 shares. The subscribed share capital of Erste Group Bank AG increased from EUR 789.137.294 to an amount of EUR 859.600.000 and was registered in the companies register at the Vienna Commercial Court on 4 July 2013.

Trading in the new shares started on 5 July 2013 in Vienna, Prague and Bucharest.

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