

Publication of a transaction regarding Erste Group shares in compliance with section 7 Publication Ordinance (VeröffentlichungsVO) to section 82 (9) Austrian Stock Exchange Act (BörseG) considered treasury shares within the meaning of section 65 Stock Corporation Act (AktG)

This publication is made within the framework programme published on 26 May 2015 regarding the envisaged disposal and purchase of Erste Group shares by the savings banks specified in the framework programme.

Sale by other means than the stock exchange:

The savings banks have conducted the following transaction in Erste Group Bank AG-shares:

- Date of the transaction: 19 January 2016
- The shares were sold by means other than the stock exchange
- Class of shares: Voting no-par value bearer shares (ordinary shares) in Erste Group Bank AG
- Volume of sold shares: 11,300 shares
- Percentage of issued share capital purchased under the programme authorised by the general meeting to-date: 0.0026%
- Maximum and minimum share price: EUR 24.92 and EUR 24.92
- Weighted average price of the sold shares: EUR 24.92
- Total value of sold shares: EUR 281,596

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