

Announcement pursuant to sec. 135 para. 2 Austrian Stock Exchange Act in connection with sec. 134 para. 1 Austrian Stock Exchange Act – Changes of significant shareholdings

Erste Group Bank AG informs the public pursuant to sec. 135 para. 2 Austrian Stock Exchange Act in connection with sec. 134 para. 1 Austrian Stock Exchange Act that BlackRock, Inc., Wilmington, United States of America, as of 3 March 2021 held 17,071,602 or 3.97% of voting rights attached to shares (previously 3.93%) and 133,473 or 0.03% of voting rights through financial instruments (previously 0.04%) in Erste Group Bank AG (rounded stake in share capital of 4.00% compared to previously 3.97%), thus combined more than 4% of Erste Group Bank AG's share capital (EUR 859,600,000 divided into 429,800,000 voting no-par value bearer shares – ordinary shares).

Additional details as per esma notification:

Financial / Other Instruments pursuant to Sec. 131 para. 1 No. 1 BörseG 2018					
Type of instrument	Expiration Date		Exercise Period	Number of voting rights that may be acquired if the instrument is exercised	% of voting rights
Securities Lent	N/A		N/A	64,067	0.01%
			SUBTOTAL	64,067	0.01%
Financial / Other Instruments pursuant to Sec. 131 para. 1 No. 2 BörseG 2018					
Type of instrument	Expiration Date	Exercise Period	Physical / Cash Settlement	Number of voting rights	% of voting rights
CFD	N/A	N/A	Cash	69,406	0.02%
			SUBTOTAL	69,406	0.02%

Full chain of controlled undertakings through which the voting rights and/or the financial/other instruments are effectively held starting with the ultimate controlling natural person or legal entity:

No.	Name	Directly controlled by No.	Shares held directly (%)	Financial/other instruments held directly (%)	Total of both (%)
1	BlackRock, Inc.				
2	BlackRock Holdco 2, Inc.	1			
3	BlackRock Financial Management, Inc.	2			
4	BlackRock International Holdings, Inc.	3			
5	BR Jersey International Holdings L.P.	4			
6	BlackRock Australia Holdco Pty. Ltd.	5			
7	BlackRock Investment Management (Australia) Limited	6			
8	Trident Merger, LLC	1			
9	BlackRock Investment Management, LLC	8			
10	BlackRock (Singapore) Holdco Pte. Ltd.	5			
11	BlackRock HK Holdco Limited	10			
12	BlackRock Asset Management North Asia Limited	11			
13	BlackRock Lux Finco S.à r.l.	11			
14	BlackRock Japan Holdings GK	13			
15	BlackRock Japan Co., Ltd.	14			
16	BlackRock (Singapore) Limited	10			
17	BlackRock Holdco 3, LLC	5			
18	BlackRock Cayman 1 LP	17			
19	BlackRock Cayman West Bay Finco Limited	18			
20	BlackRock Cayman West Bay IV Limited	19			
21	BlackRock Group Limited	20			
22	BlackRock Finance Europe Limited	21			
23	BlackRock Investment Management (UK) Limited	22			
24	BlackRock International Limited	21			
25	BlackRock (Netherlands) B.V.	22			
26	BlackRock Asset Management Deutschland AG	25			
27	BlackRock Advisors (UK) Limited	22			
28	BlackRock Capital Holdings, Inc.	3			
29	BlackRock Advisors, LLC	28			

30	BlackRock Canada Holdings LP	17			
31	BlackRock Canada Holdings ULC	30			
32	BlackRock Asset Management Canada Limited	31			
33	BlackRock Holdco 4, LLC	3			
34	BlackRock Holdco 6, LLC	33			
35	BlackRock Delaware Holdings Inc.	34			
36	BlackRock Fund Advisors	35			
37	BlackRock Institutional Trust Company, National Association	35			
38	Amethyst Intermediate LLC	9			
39	Aperio Holdings LLC	38			
40	Aperio Group, LLC	39			

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