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Information for Custodian Banks

for the 31st Annual General Meeting of Erste Group Bank AG at Erste Campus, 22 May 2024, 10:00 am (CEST)

The right to attend the Annual General Meeting and to exercise voting rights, as well as all other shareholder rights that may be exercised in the Annual General Meeting, are subject to the shareholdings as held on Sunday, **12 May 2024, 24:00 hours (CEST) (record date**, sec 111 [1] Stock Corporation Act [AktG]).

Anyone who holds shares on this effective date and provides evidence thereof to the Company shall be entitled to attend this Annual General Meeting.

The shares held on the record date must be verified by submitting a **deposit certificate** in acc. with sec 10a Stock Corporation Act (AktG) and the Company must receive such submission by no later than Thursday, **16 May 2024**, **24:00 hours (CEST)** exclusively at one of the addresses indicated below.

by E-Mail :	anmeldung.erste@hauptversammlung.at (as scanned attachment; TIF, PDF, etc.)
by fax :	+43 (0)1 8900 500 50
by SWIFT ISO 15022::	GIBAATWGGMS message type MT598 or MT599; mandatory specification of ISIN AT0000652011 in the text
by SWIFT ISO 20022:	ou=gms, o=gibaatwg o=swift – seev.003.001.XX oder seev.004.001.XX in the version that contains the minimum fields necessary (a detailed description is available at www.erstegroup.com/generalmeeting)



by **post** or by **courier**:

Erste Group Bank AG c/o HV-Veranstaltungsservice GmbH Köppel 60 8242 St. Lorenzen/Wechsel Austria

Deposit certificate in acc. with sec 10a Stock Corporation Act (AktG)

The **deposit certificate** must be issued by the custodian bank with its registered office in a member state of the European Economic Area or in a full member state of the OECD and must **include the following details:**

- information on the issuer: name/company name and address or a code used between banks (SWIFT code);
- information on the shareholder: name/company name, address, date of birth in case of natural persons or, as the case may be, designation of company register and registration number in case of legal persons;
- information on the shares: number of shares (ISIN AT0000652011) held by the shareholder;
- securities account number or other identification;
- the deposit certificate must refer to the record date, Sunday, **12 May 2024**, **24:00 hours** (CEST).

In accordance with the final sentence of sec 10a (1) Stock Corporation Act (AktG), Erste Group Bank AG shall also accept certificates evidencing the ownership of shares (deposit certificates) issued by legal persons authorised as depositaries of these shares under Czech or Romanian law and by any company belonging to the group of Erste Group Bank AG that is a credit institution or has the authority to hold financial instruments in custody or manage financial instruments.

The deposit certificate is deemed to be the evidence of the shareholding, qualifying the holder to take part in the Annual General Meeting and must refer to 12 May 2024, 24:00 hours (record date).

For this reason, a deposit certificate cannot be issued or delivered prior to 13 May 2024.

The deposit certificate must be issued in German or English.

Securities will not be blocked by registering for the Annual General Meeting and/or by submitting a deposit certificate, which is why shareholders may continue to freely dispose of their securities also after registering and/or submitting a deposit certificate.

In order to avoid flawed or incomplete deposit certificates not complying with the standards of sec 10a of the Austrian Stock Corporation Act (AktG), please refer to the downloadable samples intended for the submission of certificates via telefax, via e-mail and via postal service at www.erstegroup.com/generalmeeting.



As regards the submission of a deposit certificate pursuant to sec 10a of the Austrian Stock Corporation Act (AktG) by SWIFT ISO 15022 (message type MT598 or MT599) please refer to the attached sample illustrating the necessary structure of such a message. In contrast to a written deposit certificate, the name of the issuer is not indicated as the issuer can be taken from the header of the SWIFT message (BIC of the sender). Please note that the SWIFT message may only be sent by the custodian bank.

For the submission via SWIFT ISO 20022, please refer to the information on the integration of ISO 20022 SWIFT messages in the delivery logic of deposit certificates and powers of attorney available on the company's website at <u>www.erstegroup.com/generalmeeting</u>.

The Company would like to inform that depositors whose deposit certificates as specified in sec 10a of the Austrian Stock Corporation Act (AktG) have not been issued and submitted within the meaning of the above information are not entitled to exercise their voting right!

Please note that the samples are for illustration only and that the Company accepts all deposit certificates meeting the statutory requirements.

In your capacity as a custodian credit institution, you are kindly requested to send a confirmation to those depositors that are indicated in the deposit certificates. These confirmations should specify the name of the holder and the type and number of securities.

Further inquiries

If you need further **information** about this topic, please call our info hotline – AGM at +43 (0)5 0100 6 – 16386. Make sure you include your **contact details in any communication**, so we know how to contact you.



Sample certificate of deposit via SWIFT MT598 or MT599

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:	AT0000652011
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:	598
:	ATTN HV-Veranstaltungsservice GmbH
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Re.: Annual General Meeting Erste Group Bank AG the following securities of the depositor specified hereinbelow were in the custody of our bank at close of 12.5.2024

[for legal entities:]

Corporate name: (please insert corporate name here) [if applicable] entered into the commercial register under file no. FN: 9999999x, Commercial Court of Vienna Address: 1010 Vienna, Graben 1 Number of securities: 1,000 ISIN: AT0000652011 Deposit number: 1111

[for individuals:]

Name: (please insert name here) Date of birth.: 01.01.1900 Address: 1010 Vienna, Graben 1 Number of Securities: 1.000 ISIN: AT0000652011 Deposit number: 1111

[THE CERTIFICATE OF DEPOSIT MUST BE ISSUED AND SENT BY THE CUSTODIAN BANK.]