

## **Press Release**

**Bossard Group** 

Annual general meeting of shareholders 2020 of Bossard Holding AG

## Annual general meeting of shareholders approves all motions

Zug, April 8, 2020 – The annual general meeting of shareholders of Bossard Holding AG approved all motions of the board of directors with a large majority and confirmed all current directors in their posts. Dr. Thomas Schmuckli remains as chairman of the board of directors.

Based on Art. 6a para. 1 lit. b of Ordinance 2 of the Federal Council on measures to prevent coronavirus (COVID-19), the shareholders of Bossard Holding AG were not able to attend the annual general meeting of shareholders on site. Shareholders were able to exercise their rights at the annual general meeting of shareholders exclusively through the independent proxy. Therefore, it was possible to hold the annual general meeting of shareholders as planned despite the exceptional situation in connection with the coronavirus.

In addition, the annual general meeting of shareholders approved the dividend proposal of the board of directors. Accordingly, from the net income of CHF 76.0 million (previous year: CHF 85.4 million) a gross dividend of CHF 2.00 will be paid out for the listed registered A shares and CHF 0.40 for the registered B shares. Bossard registered A shares will be traded ex-dividend from April 14, 2020. The dividend payment will be made on April 16, 2020.

The annual general meeting of shareholders also approved PricewaterhouseCoopers AG, Zurich, as auditors for the 2020 fiscal year.

The independent proxy represented 10,222,968 votes of a total of 13,400,000 possible votes.



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## **Profile:**

The Bossard Group is a leading international supplier of product solutions and services in industrial fastener and assembly technology. With its comprehensive product range of over 1,000,000 items, combined with its proven expertise in technical consulting (engineering) and inventory management (logistics), Bossard is one of the established companies in the industry, both as an end-to-end supplier and a partner. In addition, Bossard is a pioneer in developing intelligent production facilities in line with Industry 4.0.

The Group's customers include local and international industrial companies who use Bossard solutions to improve their productivity. With 2,500 employees in 80 locations throughout the world, the Group generated CHF 876.2 million in sales in 2019. Bossard is listed on the SIX Swiss Exchange.



Agenda item		Number of votes	
		Yes	No
2.1	Approval of the annual report 2019 (in- cluding the consolidated financial state- ments and financial statements) of Bossard Holding AG	99.98 percent	0.02 percent
2.2	Consultative vote on the 2019 compen- sation report of Bossard Holding AG	92.81 percent	7.19 percent
2.3	Discharge of the board of directors and the executive committee for 2019	99.94 percent	0.06 percent
2.4	Appropriation of available retained earn- ings	99.9 percent	0.1 percent
3.0	Revision of the articles of association of Bossard Holding AG	99.9 percent	0.1 percent
4.1	Appointment of David Dean as the rep- resentative for holders of registered A shares	96.64 percent	3.36 percent
4.2.1	Re-election of Dr. Thomas Schmuckli as chairman of the board of directors	98.16 percent	1.84 percent
4.2.2	Re-election of Anton Lauber as a mem- ber of the board of directors	98.92 percent	1.08 percent
4.2.3	Re-election of Prof. Dr. Stefan Michel as a member of the board of directors	99.65 percent	0.35 percent
4.2.4	Re-election of Maria Teresa Vacalli as a member of the board of directors	99.57 percent	0.43 percent
4.2.5	Re-election of Dr. René Cotting as a member of the board of directors	99.64 percent	0.36 percent
4.2.6	Re-election of Martin Kühn as a mem- ber of the board of directors	99.08 percent	0.92 percent
4.2.7	Re-election of Patricia Heidtman as a member of the board of directors	99.60 percent	0.4 percent
4.2.8	Re-election of David Dean as a member of the board of directors	99.37 percent	0.63 percent



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4.3.1	Election of David Dean as a member of the compensation committee	95.56 percent	4.44 percent
4.3.2	Re-election of Anton Lauber as a mem- ber of the compensation committee	94.72 percent	5.28 percent
4.3.3	Re-election of Patricia Heidtman as a member of the compensation committee	97.34 percent	2.66 percent
4.4	Re-election of RA René Peyer, attor- ney-at-Law, as the independent proxy	99.94 percent	0.06 percent
5.0	Re-election of PricewaterhouseCoopers AG, Zurich, as the statutory auditors for the 2020 fiscal year	95.23 percent	4.77 percent
6.1	Approval of a maximum of CHF 1,600,000 as the total compensation for the board of directors for the period from the annual general meeting of shareholders 2020 until the annual gen- eral meeting of shareholders 2021	98.82 percent	1.18 percent
6.2	Approval of a maximum of CHF 6,000,000 as the total compensation for the executive committee for the 2021 fiscal year	98.44 percent	1.56 percent