

Publication of a transaction regarding Erste Group shares in compliance with section 7 Publication Ordinance (VeröffentlichungsVO) to section 119 (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.

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

1. Repurchase by means other than the stock exchange:

- Date of the transaction: 12 February 2018
- The shares were repurchased 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 repurchased shares: 200,000 shares
- Percentage of issued share capital repurchased under the programme authorised by the general meeting to-date: 0.8647%, thereof percentage of issued share capital of this transaction: 0.0465%
- Maximum and minimum share price: not applicable, as repurchase was done through securities lending
- Weighted average price of the repurchased shares: not applicable, as repurchase was done through securities lending
- Total value of repurchased shares (based on the closing share price of 12 February 2018): EUR 8,024,000

2. Sale by means other than the stock exchange:

- Date of the transaction: 12 February 2018
- 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: 200,000 shares
- Percentage of issued share capital sold under the programme authorised by the general meeting to-date: 1.5285%, thereof percentage of issued share of this transaction: 0.0465%
- Maximum and minimum share price: not applicable, as sale was done through securities lending
- Weighted average price of the sold shares: not applicable, as sale was done through securities lending
- Total value of sold shares (based on the closing share price of 12 February 2018): EUR 8,024,000

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