

## **Shareholders' rights pursuant to article 540 BCC**

During the general meeting, the directors will answer the questions that are asked by the shareholders during the meeting or in writing with regard to their reports or the items on the agenda, insofar as the communication of data or facts is not of a nature to be detrimental to the business interests of the Company or the confidentiality to which the Company and its directors have committed themselves.

The statutory auditor of the Company answers the questions asked by the shareholders during the meeting or in writing with respect to his report, insofar as the communication of data or facts is not of a nature to be detrimental to the business interests of the Company or the confidentiality to which the Company, its directors or the statutory auditor have committed themselves. They are entitled to speak during the general meeting with regard to the execution of their mandate. If different questions deal with one and the same topic, the directors and the statutory auditor may give one reply to these questions.

The shareholders can ask questions in writing as from 20 October 2017, which will be answered during the meeting by, as the case may be, the directors or the statutory auditor, insofar as the shareholders have fulfilled the formalities required to be admitted to the meeting. These questions can be sent by email to the Company on the e-mail address mentioned in the notice of the general meeting. The Company must have received the written questions at the latest on the sixth day prior to the general meeting, i.e. at the latest by Thursday 2 November 2017.

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