# COMPENSATION REPORT

# FISCAL YEAR **200 23**



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#### PRELIMINARY REMARKS

This compensation report describes the compensation of the members of the Board of Management of INDUS Holding Aktiengesellschaft (hereinafter referred to as INDUS or the company) and the compensation of the members of the Supervisory Board. This compensation report is a report in accordance with section 162 of the German Stock Corporation Act (AktG) as amended by the Act Implementing the Shareholders' Rights Directive (ARUG II). The recommendations of the German Corporate Governance Code (GCGC) in the version dated 16 December 2019 have been taken into account in the INDUS compensation system. The compensation report for the 2022 financial year was approved by the Annual Shareholders' Meeting of INDUS Holding AG on 17 May 2023 with 99.04% of the vote. Consequently, there was no need to change the current compensation system.

#### A. COMPENSATION OF THE MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF MANAGEMENT

#### 1. MAIN FEATURES OF THE COMPENSATION SYSTEM

The INDUS Supervisory Board adopted the compensation system for the members of the company's Board of Management in December 2020. The compensation system for the members of the Board of Management was approved at the Annual Shareholders' Meeting of INDUS Holding AG on 26 May 2021. The system took effect on 1 January 2021. The compensation of the members of the Board of Management for the 2023 financial year is in line with the compensation system.

The compensation system implements the amended legal provisions governing compensation paid to the Board of Management in accordance with the Act Implementing the Shareholders' Rights Directive (ARUG II). The recommendations of the government commission for the German Corporate Governance Code as amended on 16 December 2019, which were published in the German Federal Gazette on 20 March 2020, were also taken into account in the compensation system.

The compensation system complies with the provisions set forth in the German Stock Corporation Act (AktG) as amended in the Act Implementing the Shareholders' Rights Directive of 12 December 2019 (Federal Law Gazette Section I 2019 No. 50, of 19 December 2019). It enables the Supervisory Board to attract qualified members of the Board of Management for the company, to respond flexibly to organizational changes, and to take even extraordinary developments adequately into account.

The presentation of the compensation system will be kept publicly accessible for the duration of the validity of the compensation system, but at least for ten years. Likewise, this report will be publicly accessible on the INDUS homepage for ten years.

The brief description of the main features of the compensation system is followed by a description of the components of the components of the target setting and achievement of variable components for the 2023 financial year. The total compensation of the Board of Management for the 2023 financial year is then presented on an individual basis. Finally, there is a comparison of the Board of Management's compensation with the development of INDUS' financial position and the development of the average income of INDUS' employees.

INDUS' objectives are **profitable growth** from the operational development of its portfolio companies, **performance** of the individual portfolio companies with a medium-term EBIT margin of 10% plus X, and a **balanced portfolio structure** through acquisitions in six defined future industries.

With respect to structuring the compensation system, the Supervisory Board has defined the following principles:

#### STRATEGIC FOCUS

The compensation system should promote the implementation of the PARKOUR business strategy. The core objectives of PARKOUR include profitable growth between now and 2025, aimed at achieving Group sales of significantly more than EUR 2 billion with an EBIT margin of at least 10%. The compensation system is therefore designed to ensure that the long-term compensation component provides incentives for members of the Board of Management that are oriented towards this overall company strategy.

#### **PERFORMANCE ORIENTATION**

The compensation system should be performance-oriented. The target total compensation therefore consists of fixed and variable performance-related components, whereby the variable components make up a significant proportion of the target total compensation in the event that all objectives are achieved. The ancillary benefits agreed for the respective member of the Board of Management are also taken into consideration. The individual compensation of a member of the Board of Management should always be proportionate to their duties and performance and the company's position, and should not exceed the standard compensation without good reason.

#### FOCUS ON LONG-TERM AND SUSTAINABLE CORPORATE DEVELOPMENT

The compensation system should promote the sustainable, long-term development of the company. The long-term components of the compensation which arise from the achievement of long-term objectives should therefore exceed the short-term components of the compensation which arise from the achievement of short-term objectives. Furthermore, the compensation system includes a sustainability component that requires the achievement of concrete targets in promoting sustainable actions by the company, such as the implementation of the greenhouse gas reduction target arising from the German Climate Change Act (KSG).

#### **CAPITAL MARKET ORIENTATION**

The variable performance-related components of the compensation are predominantly share-based. If share-based long-term compensation is in place, the activities of the members of the Board of Management should be focused on the long-term positive development of the company and the total shareholder return (TSR). The inclusion of the TSR, in particular, should carry substantial weight in determining the company dividend payments for the incentivization of the Board of Management.

#### **CLARITY AND COMPREHENSIBILITY**

The compensation system should be designed and explained such that it is clear and comprehensible.

#### 2. THE COMPONENTS OF THE COMPENSATION AND THE COMPENSATION TARGETS FOR 2023

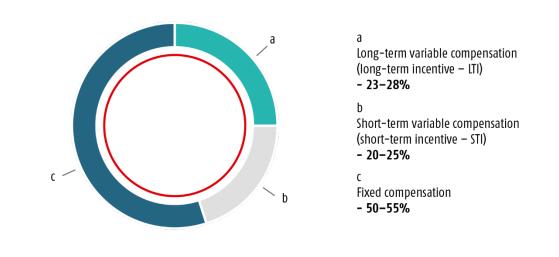
# 2.1. OVERVIEW AND RELATIVE PROPORTIONS OF THE INDIVIDUAL COMPONENTS IN RELATION TO THE TARGET TOTAL COMPENSATION

Compensation components	Share of target compensation						
Long-term (LTI)	External target: Outperformance TSR SDAX	50%	22.20%				
4-year performance > Share-based as a Virtual Performance Share Plan	Internal targets: - Compound annual growt (25%) - EBIT margin (25%)	<b>50%</b> :h rate	23-28%				
Short-term (STI) 1-year performance	EBIT target: Strategic objectives and sustainability targets:	≤80% ≥20%	20-25%				
Fixed Fixed annual salary plus ancillary benefits			50-55%				
Pension or early retirement schemes			0%				

#### COMPONENTS OF THE COMPENSATION SYSTEM

The total compensation paid to the members of the Board of Management is comprised of fixed and variable components. The fixed annual salary and the ancillary benefits are the fixed components. Variable components include the short-term variable compensation (short-term incentive - STI) and the longterm variable compensation (long-term incentive - LTI), which is share-based. No pension or early retirement schemes are in place. No shares or genuine stock options are issued or promised either.

The target values for service contracts for members of the Board of Management are generally selected such that the variable components of the compensation make up at least 45% of the target total compensation if targets are fully achieved. The target value for the LTI must be higher than the target value for the STI. The compensation structure is outlined in the diagram below:



#### **RELATIVE COMPONENTS OF THE COMPENSATION OF THE BOARD OF MANAGEMENT**

For existing Board of Management service contracts, it is permissible to fall a small number of percentage points short of the minimum value for the variable components of the compensation for reasons connected with the compensation history of the long-term variable compensation (old LTI program).

#### 2.2. FIXED COMPONENTS OF THE COMPENSATION

The fixed annual salary is a set cash compensation amount based on the year as a whole, which is paid out in twelve equal monthly installments.

Every member of the Board of Management is provided with a company car, personal use of which is also permitted. In addition, all members of the Board of Management receive a subsidy towards their health and nursing care insurance. There is a Group accident insurance policy in place for the members of the Board of Management. They are covered by INDUS Holding AG's group legal expenses insurance and the D&O insurance for all INDUS board members and holders of special commercial power of representation. As it is not possible to determine an individual value for each member of the Board of Management for these insurance policies, they are not included in the total compensation or the individual compensation of the Board of Management.

#### 2.3. VARIABLE COMPONENTS OF THE COMPENSATION

#### 2.3.1. SHORT-TERM VARIABLE COMPENSATION (STI)

The STI is a performance-based variable component of the compensation with a one-year assessment basis. The STI provides the compensation for the yearly contribution of the members of the Board of Management to achieving the operational targets defined by the Supervisory Board and in ensuring sustainable corporate development. The STI is comprised of one portion rewarding the achievement of financial targets and one rewarding the achievement of non-financial targets in relation to sustainability and strategy. The share of non-financial targets in the STI target value is at least 20%.

# COMPOSITION OF THE SHORT-TERM VARIABLE COMPENSATION (STI)target valuesFinancial targetNon-financial targetsAmount paid outtarget valuesKEBIT<br/> $\leq 80\%$ Strategy and<br/>sustainability<br/> $\geq 20\%$ Cap: 150% of the<br/>target values

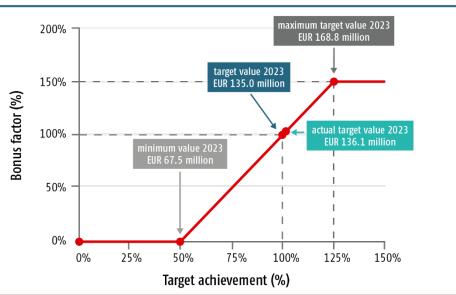
The financial and non-financial targets will be defined by the Supervisory Board at the beginning of each respective financial year after preparation by the Personnel Committee. The targets defined will not be changed over the course of the year.

#### I. FINANCIAL TARGETS

This part of the STI is based on consolidated EBIT before impairments of goodwill. The target EBIT will be defined annually by the Supervisory Board for the respective following year after the Board of Management has submitted its corporate planning process documents. Target achievement will be measured by means of a bonus curve comparing the value actually achieved with the target EBIT.

If the actual value falls below a minimum value defined by the Supervisory Board, this variable component will be omitted. If the actual value exceeds a maximum value defined by the Supervisory Board, payment will be limited to 150% of the target value for this STI component.

A target EBIT of EUR 135.0 million was defined for 2023. The minimum value was EUR 67.5 million, the maximum EUR 168.8 million.



#### STI: EBIT TARGET 2023

An EBIT of EUR 149.6 million was generated from continuing operations in the 2023 financial year. Impairments of goodwill amounting to EUR 12.8 million are to be added to this. The EBIT of the discontinued operations amounts to EUR 26.3 million, resulting in an adjusted consolidated EBIT of EUR 136.1 million as the basis for determining target achievement. The target achievement is 100.8%. The bonus factor is 101.6%.

#### II. NON-FINANCIAL TARGETS

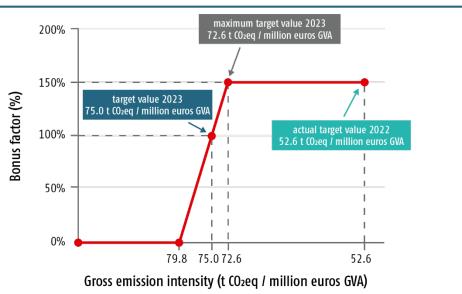
This part of the STI is based on the achievement of non-financial targets derived from the PARKOUR corporate strategy and the company sustainability strategy by the Supervisory Board following preparation by the Personnel Committee and defined annually for the respective following year. Strategy-based targets will follow the "Driving innovation" and "Improving performance" strategic initiatives. With regard to the sustainability strategy, the focus over the coming years will be on implementing the greenhouse gas reduction targets in accordance with the German Climate Change Act (KSG) as well as implementing an INDUS sustainability development bank.

The maximum payment amount permitted for the non-financial targets is also 150% of the target value for this STI component. If the non-financial targets are not achieved, this variable component is omitted.

Two targets were defined for 2023:

- <u>Target 1:</u> Reduce emission intensity: The aim is to reduce gross emission intensity by 6% compared with the previous year. The gross emission target has been deliberately defined here, as it cannot be corrected by purchasing additional certificates. A reduction of 6% corresponds to a target value of 75.0 t CO<sub>2</sub>eq/million euros GVA for 2023. The previous year's comparative value was 79.8 t CO<sub>2</sub>eq/million euros GVA.
- <u>Target 2:</u> Preparation and implementation of the CSRD guideline and implementation of further key figures in the "Social" area as well as further development of the reporting structure in LucaNet.

These two targets are weighted at a ratio of 80:20 (Target 1: Target 2).



#### **STI: SUSTAINABILITY TARGET 2023**

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<u>Target 1:</u> In 2023, gross emissions of  $52.6 \text{ t } \text{Co}_2 \text{eq/million}$  euros GVA were achieved. Thus, the maximum target (72.6 t Co<sub>2</sub>eq/million euros GVA) was exceeded and a bonus factor of 150% was achieved.

<u>Target 2</u>: Preparations have been made for the CSRD requirements, additional key figures have been implemented and reporting in LucaNet has been expanded. The target was thus fully achieved. The bonus factor from Target 2 is 100%.

Overall, this results in a bonus factor of 140% from the non-financial targets.

#### III. TARGET ACHIEVEMENT STI 2023

The target achievement for the financial targets is 100.8%. The bonus factor from this is 101.6%. The bonus factor from the weighted non-financial targets is 140%. After weighting the financial and non-financial bonus factors at 80:20, the total bonus factor is 109% of the target amount of the STI.

The STI targets are the same for all members of the Board of Management. Therefore, the target achievement and thus the total bonus factor is also the same.

#### IV. PAYMENT TERMS

Target achievement for the financial and non-financial targets is determined by the Supervisory Board within the first three months of the financial year following the respective compensation year after preparation by the Personnel Committee. The amounts to be paid out were calculated on this basis. They are due for payment by 30 April 2024.

If a member of the Board of Management has not worked for the company for a full financial year, the STI will be paid proportionately to the time worked and paid out on the payment date specified above.

No STI will be paid out for the year in which the termination or revocation occurs if the employment of a member of the Board of Management ends as a result of termination by the company for good cause in accordance with section 626 of the German Civil Code (BGB) or due to the termination of a contract where their appointment as a member of the Board of Management is revoked by the company in accordance with section 84 (3) sentence 1 of the German Stock Corporation Act (AktG) ("bad leaver" case). The same will apply to the period between the revocation of their appointment and the termination of their contract if the latter falls in the year following the revocation.

#### 2.3.2. LONG-TERM VARIABLE COMPENSATION (LTI)

The long-term variable compensation (long-term incentive – LTI) is intended to encourage members of the Board of Management to strive for the sustainable, long-term development of the company. The LTI is a share-based payment.

#### I. LTI PROGRAM UP TO 2020 (OLD COMPENSATION SYSTEM)

The previous LTI program (until 2020) consisted of the issuing of virtual stock options (SARs, stock appreciation rights). An SAR is the promise of a payment, the amount of which is determined by the difference between the strike price of the SAR and the current stock market price when the SAR is exercised. The strike price of the SAR corresponded to the average of the closing prices in the XETRA trading system

for the company's stock during the last 20 days of trading prior to the date of issue of the option. The Board of Management was issued with one installment of SARs per year. Upon issuing, the option price of the SAR was determined. Based on the contractually agreed target value, the number of SARs allocated to the installment was derived from this. The SARs are vested from the date they are issued. There is a lock-up period (four years) for the exercise of options for each installment issued. The exercise period following the lock-up period is two years. An installment can only be paid out if the share price at the time of exercise is above the strike price of the SAR for the installment and reaches a defined payout threshold (minimum stock price increase of 12% as at the exercise date). There is a cap of 200% of the contractually agreed target value for the payout.

The target values for the 2018, 2019 and 2020 installments are EUR 140,000 for the Chairman of the Board of Management and EUR 70,000 for the other members of the Board of Management. All virtual stocks from the 2019 and 2020 installments are currently either in the lock-up period or in the exercise period. Compensation issued is in each case presented in the financial year in which the options were exercised.

The 2018 installment was able to be exercised for the last time in the 2023 financial year. As the strike price of EUR 60.60 was always above the share price during the exercise period from 1 January 2022 to 31 December 2023, the SARs lapsed on 31 December 2023.

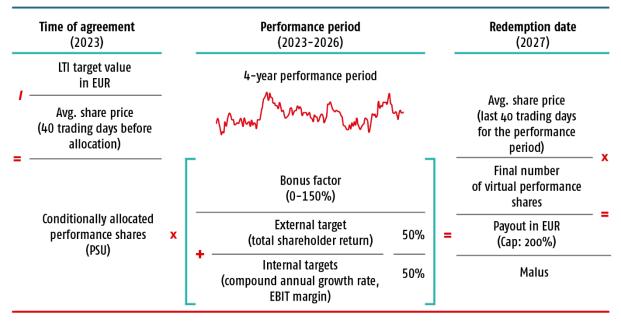
	PLAN	STRIKE PRICE	PERIOD	VOLUME 01.01.2023	RECEIVED	EXERCISED	LAPSED	VOLUME 31.12.2023
Abromeit								
(Chairman of the Board								
of Management until			1.1.2018-					
2018)	2018	60.60	31.12.2023	22,286	0	0	22,286	0
_	Total			22,286	0	0	22,286	0
Schmidt								
(Chairman of the Board								
of Management since			1.1.2018-					
2018)	2018	60.60	31.12.2023	16,714	0	0	16,714	0
			1.1.2019-					
	2019	39.58	31.12.2024	27,624	0	0	0	27,624
	2020	39.02	1.1.2020- 31.12.2025	22,012	0	0	0	22,012
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	Total			66,350	0	0	16,714	49,636
			1.1.2019-					
Großmann	2019	39.58	31.12.2024	13,812	0	0	0	13,812
			1.1.2020-					
	2020	39.02	31.12.2025	11,006	0	0	0	11,006
_	Total			24,818	0	0	0	24,818
			1.1.2018-					
Meyer	2018	60.60	31.12.2023	11,143	0	0	11,143	0
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	2019	39.58	31.12.2024	13,812	0	0	0	13,812
	2020	39.02	1.1.2020- 31.12.2025	11,006	0	0	0	11,006
—	2020		01.12.2020	11,000				11,000
	Total			35,961	0	0	11,143	24,818
			1.1.2018-					
Weichert	2018	60.60	31.12.2023	11,143	0	0	11,143	0
			1.1.2019-			· ·		
	2019	39.58	31.12.2024	13,812	0	0	0	13,812
	2020	39.02	1.1.2020- 31.12.2025	11,006	0	0	0	11,006
—	2020			,000				11,000
	Total			35,961	0	0	11,143	24,818

#### **VOLUMES AND STRIKE PRICES OF STOCK OPTIONS - OLD LTI PROGRAM**

#### II. LTI PROGRAM FROM 2021 (NEW COMPENSATION SYSTEM)

The new LTI program takes the form of a virtual performance share plan (VPSP). The VPSP is based on a four-year performance period beginning at the start of a respective financial year. At the beginning of a performance period, the members of the Board of Management are allocated virtual shares (performance share units - PSUs). The number of PSUs allocated at the beginning of the performance period is calculated by dividing the individual LTI target value by the share price at the time of allocation. The share price at the time of allocation is the average closing price in the Frankfurt Stock Exchange's XETRA trading system (or a comparable successor system) for the past 40 days of trading.

#### LTI PROGRAM 2023



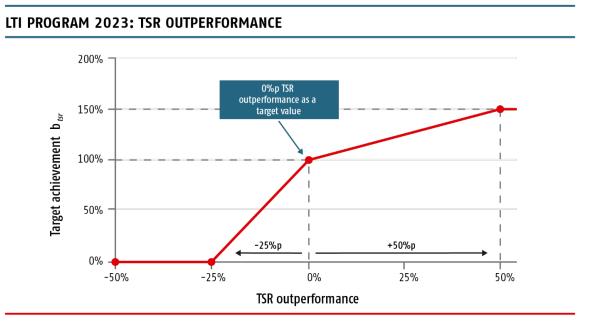
The number of PSUs allocated may be changed across the performance period on the basis of a bonus factor if the external and internal performance targets defined by the Supervisory Board for the performance period are achieved. If performance falls short of the targets, the bonus factor will be less than 100% and the number of PSUs allocated will be reduced accordingly and may even be omitted completely if the shortfall is significant. If the performance targets are exceeded, the bonus factor will be over 100% and the number of PSUs allocated will increase accordingly. The final number of PSUs allocated at the end of the performance period.

Following preparation by the Personnel Committee, the Supervisory Board will define the external and internal performance targets for the respective performance period at the beginning of that performance period. These targets will not be changed over the course of a performance period.

#### **EXTERNAL PERFORMANCE TARGET – TSR OUTPERFORMANCE**

The outperformance of the total shareholder return (TSR) for INDUS shares compared to the TSR for the SDAX is used as an external performance target. The share-based payment of the LTI and the form of the external performance target help to align interests between members of the Board of Management and shareholders. In particular, the TSR ensures that the company's dividend payments carry considerable weight in the incentivization of the Board of Management.

The TSR is a commonly used parameter on the capital market, which can be checked directly in conventional market information systems (e.g. Bloomberg). An outperformance of 0% corresponds to a target achievement of one hundred percent - in this case, the TSR for the INDUS share has developed exactly in parallel with the SDAX. If outperformance is -25% or lower, target achievement is 0%; if outperformance is at least 50%, target achievement is limited to 150%.

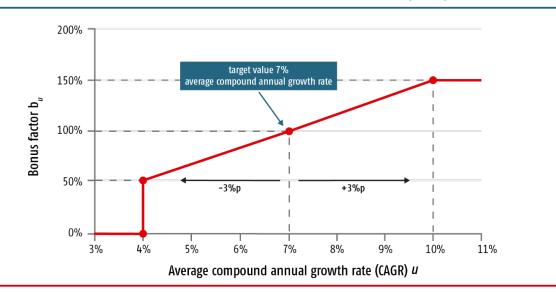


The bonus factor for the LTI includes 50% of the target achievement for the external performance target.

#### INTERNAL PERFORMANCE TARGET - COMPOUND ANNUAL GROWTH RATE AND EBIT MARGIN

The internal performance target is intended to promote the implementation of the PARKOUR business strategy. The core objectives of PARKOUR include profitable growth between now and 2025, aimed at achieving Group sales of significantly more than EUR 2 billion with an EBIT margin of at least 10%. As a result, the average compound annual growth rate and the development of the EBIT margin over the LTI performance period are used as partial targets for the internal performance target:

 In order to calculate the bonus factor, the average compound annual growth rate (CAGR) over the performance period is compared with a target value defined by the Supervisory Board. If the CAGR corresponds to the target value, the bonus factor is 100%. If the CAGR is lower than the minimum value defined by the Supervisory Board, the bonus factor is 0%. If the CAGR is greater than the maximum value defined by the Supervisory Board, the bonus factor is limited to 150%.



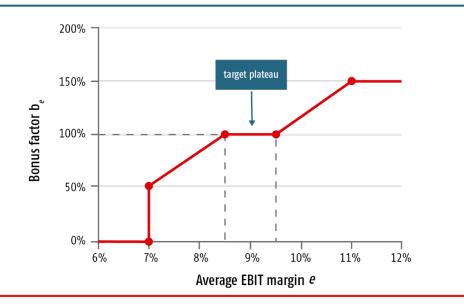
#### LTI PROGRAM 2023: AVERAGE COMPOUND ANNUAL GROWTH RATE (CAGR)

For the installment issued in 2023, the target average compound annual growth rate (CAGR) defined by the Supervisory Board is 7% per annum. The minimum value for target achievement is 4% and the maximum value is 10%.

The average EBIT margin during the performance period is compared with a target value defined by the Supervisory Board for the performance period. If the average EBIT margin matches the target value, the bonus factor is 100%. If the average EBIT margin is lower than the minimum value defined by the Supervisory Board, the bonus factor is 0%. If the average EBIT margin is greater than the maximum value defined by the Supervisory Board, the bonus factor is limited to 150%.

The total bonus factor for the LTI includes 25% for each of the two partial internal bonus factor targets.

#### LTI PROGRAM 2023: AVERAGE EBIT MARGIN



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For the installment issued in 2023, the target value for the average EBIT margin was defined by the Supervisory Board at 8.5% to 9.5%. The minimum value is 7% and the maximum value is 11%.

Under the new LTI program, the same targets apply to all members of the Board of Management.

The target achievement for the installment issued in 2023 over the performance period 2023 to 2026 will be assessed and the compensation issued presented at the end of 2026 financial year in the 2026 compensation report.

#### III. PAYMENT TERMS

At the end of the performance period of an LTI installment that is due to be paid out, the Supervisory Board will calculate the number of PSUs earned and the applicable average closing price within the first three months of the financial year following the performance period after preparation by the Personnel Committee. PSUs earned over the performance period will be paid out in cash. The amount paid out will be calculated by multiplying the final number of PSUs earned by the average closing price of the INDUS share in the Frankfurt Stock Exchange's XETRA trading system (or a successor system) for the last 40 days of trading for the respective performance period.

The payout will be limited to no more than 200% of the LTI target value.

The LTI will be payable after the next regular payment round following ratification of the INDUS Holding AG consolidated financial statements for the last financial year of the respective performance period.

#### IV. ALLOCATION OF PSUS FOR THE 2023 INSTALLMENT

The individual LTI target value for the Chairman of the Board of Management is EUR 250,000 until 30 June 2023 and EUR 310,000 from 1 July 2023, resulting in a weighted target value of EUR 280,000 for 2023. The target value for Dr. Großmann and Rudolf Weichert is EUR 180,000 each. Axel Meyer also has a target value of EUR 180,000 for the period from 1 January to 30 September 2023. From 1 October, Axel Meyer's target value is EUR 190,000. This results in a weighted target value for 2023 of EUR 182,500. For Gudrun Degenhart (member of the Board of Management from 1 October 2023), the weighted target value for 2023 is EUR 55,000.

The allocation price from the last 40 days of trading prior to the allocation of the PSUs was EUR 21.95. This results in the following individual volumes of allocated PSUs for the installment issued in 2023:

	LTI TARGET VALUE	ALLOCATED PSUS
Dr. Johannes Schmidt	280,000	12,757
Gudrun Degenhart	55,000	2,506
Dr. Jörn Großmann	180,000	8,201
Axel Meyer	182,500	8,315
Rudolf Weichert	180,000	8,201
Total	877,500	39,980

#### V. VOLUME OF PSUS PER MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF MANAGEMENT

For the new LTI program, the volume of PSUs per member of the Board of Management for the 2021, 2022 and 2023 installments is as follows:

				VOLUME				VOLUM
	PLAN	STRIKE PRICE	PERIOD	01.01.2023	RECEIVED	EXERCISED	LAPSED	31.12.202
			1.1.2021-					
Dr. Schmidt	2021	31.13	31.12.2024	8,031	0	0	0	8,03
			1.1.2022-					
	2022	32.34	31.12.2025	7,731	0	0	0	7,73
			1.1.2023-					
	2023	21.95	31.12.2026	0	12,757	0	0	12,75
	Total			15,762	12,757	0	0	28,51
			1.1.2023-					
Degenhart	2023	21.95	31.12.2026	0	2,506	0	0	2,50
	Total			0	2,506	0	0	2,50
			1.1.2021-					
Dr. Großmann	2021	31.13	31.12.2024	5,783	0	0	0	5,78
			1.1.2022-					
	2022	32.34	31.12.2025	5,566	0	0	0	5,56
			1.1.2023-					
	2023	21.95	31.12.2026	0	8,201	0	0	8,20
	Total			11,349	8,201	0	0	19,55
			1.1.2021-					
Meyer	2021	31.13	31.12.2024	5,783	0	0	0	5,783
			1.1.2022-					
	2022	32.34	31.12.2025	5,566	0	0	0	5,56
	0000	04.05	1.1.2023-	0	0.045	0		0.04
	2023	21.95	31.12.2026	0	8,315	0	0	8,31
	Total			11,349	8,315	0	0	19,664
			1.1.2021-					
Weichert	2021	31.13	31.12.2024	5,783	0	0	0	5,783
			1.1.2022-		_	_		
	2022	32.34	31.12.2025	5,566	0	0	0	5,56
	2023	21.95	1.1.2023- 31.12.2026	0	8,201	0	0	8,20
	Total			11,349	8,201	0	0	19,55

#### VOLUMES OF STOCK OPTIONS

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#### 3. TARGET COMPENSATION AND MAXIMUM COMPENSATION

Regardless of whether it is to be paid during the current financial year or at a later time, the total compensation paid to the members of the Board of Management for a financial year (sum of all compensation amounts applicable for the financial year in question including fixed annual salary, ancillary benefits and variable components of the compensation) will be limited to an individual maximum amount ("maximum compensation"). The individual maximum amount is calculated by totaling the fixed annual salary, a flat rate of no more than EUR 80,000 for ancillary benefits, 150% of the STI target value and 200% of the LTI target value for the respective member of the Board of Management.

The individual target compensation and individual maximum total compensation for the 2023 financial year is as follows:

#### TARGET COMPENSATION AND MAXIMUM TOTAL COMPENSATION 2023

	DR. SCHMIDT	DEGENHART	DR. GROBMANN	MEYER	WEICHERT
Target compensation 2023:					
Fixed compensation	558	113	390	393	440
Ancillary benefits 1)	20	11	21	14	35
Total	578	124	411	407	475
One-year variable		· · · · · ·		· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	
compensation (STI)	248	45	170	173	170
Long-term variable				<u></u>	
compensation (LTI plan 2023) <sup>2)</sup>	280	55	180	183	180
Total	528	100	350	356	350
Benefit expenses	0	0	0	0	0
Target compensation 2023:	1,106	224	761	763	825
Polative properties of fixed com					
Relative proportion of fixed com-					
pensation					
in relation to target compensa-	50.00/	<b>FF</b> 40/	54.00/	50.00/	<b>FT</b> 00/
tion	52.3%	55.4%	54.0%	53.3%	57.6%
Relative proportion of one-year					
variable compensation (STI) in re-	00.5%	<b>20</b> 20/		00 70	
lation to target compensation	22.5%	20.2%	22.3%	22.7%	20.6%
Relative proportion of long-term					
variable compensation (LTI) in re-	05.00/	04.00/	00 7%	0.4.00/	04.00
lation to target compensation	25.3%	24.6%	23.7%	24.0%	21.8%
Maximum total compensation					
2023:					
Fixed compensation	558	112	390	393	440
Ancillary benefits	80	20	80	80	80
Total	638	132	470	473	520
One-year variable					
compensation (STI)	371	68	255	259	255
Long-term variable					
compensation (LTI plan 2023) <sup>2)</sup>	560	110	360	365	360
Total	931	178	615	624	615
Benefit expenses	0	0	0	0	0
Maximum total compensation					
2023:	1,569	310	1,085	1,097	1,135
Relative proportion of fixed com-					
pensation					
in relation to maximum total					
compensation	40.7%	42.6%	43.3%	43.1%	45.8%
Relative proportion of one-year	40.1 /0	42.078	45.576	43.170	43.076
variable compensation (STI) in					
relation to total compensation	23.7%	22.0%	23.5%	23.6%	22.5%
Relative proportion of long-term	2011 /0		20.070		22.070
variable compensation (LTI) in					
relation to total compensation	35.7%	35.5%	33.2%	33.3%	31.7%
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Maximum total compensation					
according to contract	1,680	310	1,100	1,100	1,160

<sup>1)</sup> Only a maximum value is specified for ancillary benefits. The target amounts for ancillary benefits shown are therefore the actual amounts in 2023.
 <sup>2)</sup> The LTI plan 2023 will be assessed in 2026.

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Compliance with the 2023 maximum compensation can only be verified and reported in the 2026 compensation report after settlement of the 2023 LTI program.

#### 4. OPTIONS TO ELIMINATE VARIABLE COMPONENTS OF THE COMPENSATION

In the event of a serious dereliction of duty by a member of the Board of Management, the Supervisory Board may, at its discretion in accordance with the conditions set out below and depending on the severity of the dereliction of duty, either reduce or completely eliminate the entitlement of the member of the Board of Management to the payment of LTI installments for performance periods that were ongoing at the time the dereliction of duty became known. The condition set forth in section 93 of the German Stock Corporation Act (AktG) will be decisive with respect to the assessment of the dereliction of duty.

The reduction or elimination of an LTI installment will always be subject to the condition that a dereliction of duty has occurred that is sufficiently serious to warrant intervention in the variable compensation of the member of the Board of Management. In particular, these include derelictions of executive duty by the member of the Board of Management that would justify dismissal for good cause or the exercising of the special right to terminate the employment contract.

The Supervisory Board may also reduce or eliminate the entitlement to payment of LTI installments if the employment of the member of the Board of Management affected has already ended at the time the clawback decision is taken.

In the 2023 financial year, there were no grounds for clawing back a variable compensation component.

#### 5. COMPENSATION FOR DISMISSAL

In the event of premature termination of the service contract, the Supervisory Board will not agree any payments exceeding the value of two annual salaries or the value of the compensation for the remainder of the service contract (severance payment cap).

All fixed and variable components of the compensation as well as all other non-cash benefits must be included when determining the annual salary. The fixed annual salary for the contract year in which the service contract is terminated will apply. The short-term variable compensation will be applied - proportionately where appropriate - in the amount for the financial year preceding the termination of the service contract.

No severance will be agreed if the employment of a member of the Board of Management ends as the result of termination by the company for good cause in accordance with section 626 of the German Civil Code (BGB) or due to the termination of a contract where their appointment as a member of the Board of Management is revoked by the company in accordance with section 84 (3) sentence 1 of the German Stock Corporation Act (AktG) ("bad leaver" case).

In the event that the composition of the Supervisory Board changes significantly, causing a substantial change (change of control) with respect to the current long-term corporate strategy ("buy, hold & de-velop" principle), the relevant member of the Board of Management will be entitled to exercise their special right to terminate their service contract throughout the year following the change of control. The same

will apply if a member of the Board of Management is dismissed within a year of the change of control without good cause pursuant to section 626 of the German Civil Code (BGB). If the member of the Board of Management exercises this right to resign, the company will pay the member of the Board of Management a severance payment in the amount of the fixed salary for two years, but no more than the fixed salary that the member of the Board of Management would have received from the time their notice of resignation took effect until the planned end of their contract (i.e. without having resigned). The calculation of the severance payment will be based on the fixed salary for the contract year in which the notice of resignation or dismissal was received.

In the 2023 financial year, no compensation payments were made to members of the Board of Management under the above provisions.

#### 6. COMPENSATION OF THE MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF MANAGEMENT IN 2023

## 6.1. TOTAL COMPENSATION OF THE MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF MANAGEMENT ON AN INDIVIDUAL BASIS IN 2023

Pursuant to section 162 (1) sentence 1, sentence 2 No. 1 of the German Stock Corporation Act (AktG), components of the compensation of the members of the Board of Management being "issued and owed" must be stated on an individual basis. INDUS considers all compensation components to have been "issued" if the underlying activity was performed in the reporting period and all other exercise conditions were met. The one-year variable compensation (STI) is stated as "compensation issued" at the end of the financial year, as the performance of the members of the Board of Management was rendered in full as at the reporting date. The STI is paid out after the reporting date. The long-term variable compensation (old LTI program) is stated as "compensation issued" in the individual compensation of the Board of Management in the year the SARs were exercised. In the 2023 financial year, the "2018 installment" from the old LTI program could be exercised for the last time, provided the target achievement criteria were met. No exercises were possible in 2023 from other installments in the exercise period.

#### COMPENSATION FOR MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF MANAGEMENT – COMPENSATION ISSUED AND OWED (IN KEUR) PURSUANT TO SECTION 162 (1) SENTENCE 1 OF THE GERMAN STOCK CORPORATION ACT (AKTG)

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	2022	2023	2022	2023	2022	2023	2022	2023	2022	2023
Fixed compensation	540	558	0	113	390	390	390	393	440	440
Ancillary benefits	20	20	0	11	27	21	14	14	35	35
Total fixed compensa-										
tion	560	578	0	124	417	411	404	407	475	475
One-year variable										
compensation (STI)	64	270	0	49	48	185	48	189	48	185
Long-term variable										
compensation (old LTI										
program)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Installment 2017	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total variable compen-	·									
sation	64	270	0	49	48	185	48	189	48	185
Total compensation	624	848	-	173	465	596	452	596	523	660
Relative proportion of fixed compensation in relation to total com- pensation	89.7%	68.2%		71.7%	89.7%	69.0%	89.4%	68.3%	90.8%	72.0%
Relative proportion of one-year variable com- pensation (STI) in relation to total compensation	10.3%	31.8%		28.3%	10.3%	31.0%	10.6%	31.7%	9.2%	28.0%
Relative proportion of long-term variable com- pensation (LTI) in relation										
to total compensation	0.0%	0.0%	-	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%

No further compensation was issued or promised by third parties to any of the members of the Board of Management for 2023.

# 6.2. COMPARISON WITH THE EARNINGS PERFORMANCE AND AVERAGE COMPENSATION OF THE EMPLOYEES OF INDUS

The basis for comparison for the compensation of the members of the Board of Management is the compensation issued and owed in the respective financial year. INDUS' earnings performance is shown on the basis of the revenue and operating income (EBIT) of INDUS Holding AG's consolidated financial statements and the development of INDUS Holding AG's annual results. For comparison with the development of average employee compensation, the average compensation of employees at the German establishments is used on a full-time equivalent basis. The compensation amounts for trainees are not included.

The changes in compensation for the members of the Board of Management can be seen in the following table.

	СОМР	FIXED COMPENSATION		VARIABLE		TOTAL	CHANGE			
	2022	2023	2022	2023	2022	2023	absolut	relativ 2023 to 2022	relativ 2022 to 2021	relativ 2021 to 2020
Dr. Johannes Schmidt	560	578	64	270	624	848	224	36%	-27%	34%
Gudrun Degenhart										
(since October 2023)	0	124	0	49	0	173	173		-	-
Dr. Jörn Großmann	417	411	48	185	465	596	131	28%	-21%	37%
Axel Meyer	404	407	48	189	452	596	144	32%	-27%	44%
Rudolf Weichert	475	475	48	185	523	660	137	26%	-21%	38%
Total	1,856	1,995	208	878	2,064	2,873	809	39%	-24%	38%

#### EARNINGS COMPARISON AND EMPLOYEE COMPARISON

	CHANGES	CHANGES	CHANGES
	2023 to 2022	2022 to 2021	2021 to 2020
Compensation of the Board of Management			
Total compensation of the Board of Management of INDUS Holding AG	+39%	-24%	+38%
Key figures of the INDUS Group			
Revenue	+/- 0%	+10%	+12%
Operating income (EBIT)	+12%	-19%	+360%
Key figure of INDUS Holding AG			
Annual result	>100%	<-100%	+56%
Employee compensation			
Average compensation of employees at the			
German INDUS companies	+3.1%	+4.8%	+4.7%

#### COMDENSATION OF THE POARD OF MANAGEMENT (IN KEUD)

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#### B. COMPENSATION OF THE MEMBERS OF THE SUPERVISORY BOARD

# 1. MAIN FEATURES OF THE COMPENSATION SYSTEM FOR MEMBERS OF THE SUPERVISORY BOARD

Compensation of the Supervisory Board is governed by Article 16 of INDUS Holding AG's Articles of Incorporation, which are permanently available and accessible on the company's website. The compensation of the Supervisory Board is reviewed at regular intervals. The compensation system for the Supervisory Board was last approved by the Annual Shareholders' Meeting on 26 May 2021.

INDUS also aims to attract and retain highly qualified members for the Supervisory Board by offering adequate compensation. This safeguards the company's objectives, promotes its long-term development and ensures the efficiency of the work within the Supervisory Board.

Accordingly, all Supervisory Board members receive basic compensation for membership of KEUR 30 and an attendance fee of KEUR 3 per meeting. The same applies to telephone, video or web conferences or conferences via similar means of communication. The Chairman receives double the two aforementioned sums and his deputy receives one-and-a-half times these amounts. In addition, the members of the Supervisory Board receive compensation for membership of Supervisory Board committees in the amount of KEUR 5 for the respective expired financial year. The Chairman of the committee receives double the aforementioned sum. Supervisory Board members who are only members of the Supervisory Board for part of the financial year or who did not hold the position of Chairman or Deputy Chairman for the entire financial year will receive proportionately lower compensation. This also applies accordingly to the period of membership of committees, period of chairmanship and period of deputy chairmanship. The aforementioned provisions do not apply to the committee pursuant to section 27 (3) of the German Codetermination Act (MitbestG); the members of this committee do not receive any compensation. In addition, the members of the Supervisory Board will be reimbursed for their out-of-pocket expenses.

It is not necessary to define a maximum compensation amount for the Supervisory Board, as the compensation does not include any variable components.

As in previous years, no loans or advances were issued to members of the Supervisory Board, nor were any contingent liabilities assumed in their favor.

There are no stock option programs or similar securities-based incentive systems for the Supervisory Board.

The compensation of the members of the Supervisory Board is deemed to be issued when the work is fully complete and totaled KEUR 725 in the 2023 financial year (previous year: KEUR 776). Neither in the financial year nor in the previous year did any member of the Supervisory Board receive compensation for consulting services provided personally to group companies.

#### 2. COMPENSATION OF THE SUPERVISORY BOARD IN 2023

The compensation payable to the members of the Supervisory Board individually in financial years 2023 and 2022 is shown in the following table:

	FIXED C		AT	TENDANCE FEE	TOTAL		
	2022	2023	2022	2023	2022	2023	
Jürgen Abromeit	80	86	48	36	128	122	
Dr. Jürgen Allerkamp	35	15	21	6	56	21	
Dr. Dorothee Becker	35	35	15	15	50	50	
Dorothee Diehm	35	35	21	15	56	50	
Pia Fischinger	30	30	24	18	54	48	
Cornelia Holzberger	30	33	24	18	54	51	
Gerold Klausmann	35	35	24	18	59	53	
Jan Klingelnberg	0	20	0	9	0	29	
Stefan Müller	0	18	0	15	0	33	
Wolfgang Lemb	50	53	36	27	86	80	
Isabella Pfaller	19	0	12	0	31	(	
Barabara Schick	26	45	12	18	38	63	
Helmut Späth	30	12	21	6	51	18	
Uwe Trinogga	30	13	24	6	54	19	
Carl Martin Welcker	35	35	24	18	59	53	
Prof. Dr. Isabell M. Welpe	0	20	0	15	0	35	
Total	470	485	306	240	776	725	

#### COMPENSATION OF THE SUPERVISORY BOARD (IN KEUR)

#### 3. COMPARISON WITH THE EARNINGS PERFORMANCE AND AVERAGE COMPENSA-TION OF THE EMPLOYEES OF INDUS

The following tables show the percentage changes in the compensation of the members of the Supervisory Board compared with the earnings performance of INDUS. The basis for the comparisons is the percentage change in the compensation of the members of the Supervisory Board. This represents the compensation issued and owed in the respective financial year.

#### COMPENSATION OF THE SUPERVISORY BOARD (IN KEUR)

	FIXED COMPENSATION		ATTENI	DANCE FEE	TOTAL		CHANGE			
	2022	2023	2022	2023	2022	2023	absolut 2023 to 2022	relativ 2023 to 2022	relativ 2022 to 2021	relativ 2021 to 2020
Jürgen Abromeit	80	86	48	36	128	122	-6	-5%	10%	-5%
Dr. Jürgen Allerkamp	35	15	21	6	56	21	-0	-5%	6%	-5%
Dr. Dorothee Becker	35	35	15	15	50	50	-35	-03%	0%	-5%
Dorothee Diehm										
	35	35	21	15	56	50	-6	-11%	6%	-5%
Pia Fischinger	30	30	24	18	54	48	-6	-11%	13%	-6%
Cornelia Holzberger	30	33	24	18	54	51	-3	-6%	13%	-2%
Gerold Klausmann	35	35	24	18	59	53	-6	-10%	11%	-5%
Jan Klingelnberg	0	20	0	9	0	29	29	-	-	-
Stefan Müller	0	18	0	15	0	33	33	-	-	-
Wolfgang Lemb	50	53	36	27	86	80	-6	-7%	18%	-11%
Isabella Pfaller	19	0	12	0	31	0	-31	-100%	-51%	-5%
Barbara Schick	26	45	12	18	38	63	25	66%	>100%	-
Helmut Späth	30	12	21	6	51	18	-33	-65%	6%	-6%
Uwe Trinogga	30	13	24	6	54	19	-35	-65%	13%	-6%
Carl Martin Welcker	35	35	24	18	59	53	-6	-10%	11%	-5%
Prof. Dr. Isabell Welpe	0	20	0	15	0	35	35	-		-
Total	470	485	306	240	776	725	-51	-7%	10%	-6%

The earnings performance is shown on the basis of the development of the revenue and operating income (EBIT) of INDUS Holding AG's consolidated financial statements and the development of INDUS Holding AG's annual results.

For comparison with the development of average employee compensation on a full-time equivalent basis, the average compensation of employees at the German establishments is used. The compensation amounts for trainees are not included.

The changes in compensation of the members of the Supervisory Board can be seen in the table above.

#### EARNINGS COMPARISON AND EMPLOYEE COMPARISON

CHANGES	CHANGES	CHANGES
2023 to 2022	2022 to 2021	2021 to 2020
-7%	+10%	-6%
+/- 0%	+10%	+12%
+12%	-19%	+360%
>100%	<-100%	+56%
+3.1%	+4.8%	+4.7%
	2023 to 2022 -7% +/- 0% +12% >100%	2023 to 2022       2022 to 2021         -7%       +10%         +/- 0%       +10%         +12%       -19%         >100%       <-100%

Bergisch Gladbach, 13 March 2024

INDUS Holding AG

For the Board of Management

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#### C. INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT ON THE AUDIT OF THE COMPENSATION RE-PORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 162 (3) OF THE GERMAN STOCK CORPORATION ACT (AKTG)

To INDUS Holding AG, Bergisch Gladbach

#### AUDIT OPINION

We have formally audited the compensation report of INDUS Holding AG, Bergisch Gladbach, for the financial year running from 1 January 2023 to 31 December 2023 to determine whether the disclosures pursuant to section 162 (1) and (2) of the German Stock Corporation Act (AktG) have been made in the compensation report. In compliance with section 162 (3) of the German Stock Corporation Act (AktG), we have not audited the content of the compensation report.

In our opinion, the information required by section 162 (1) and (2) of the German Stock Corporation Act (AktG) has been disclosed in all material respects in the accompanying compensation report. Our audit opinion does not cover the content of the compensation report.

#### BASIS FOR THE AUDIT OPINION

We conducted our audit of the compensation report in accordance with section 162 (3) of the German Stock Corporation Act (AktG) and in consideration of IDW (Institut der Wirtschaftsprüfer: Institute of Public Auditors in Germany) Auditing Standard: The audit of the compensation report in accordance with section 162 (3) of the German Stock Corporation Act (AktG) (IDW AuS 870 (09.2023)). Our responsibility under this provision and standard is further described in the "Auditor's Responsibilities" section of our report. As an auditing firm, we have complied with requirements of the IDW Quality Management Standard: Requirements for Quality Management in the Auditing Practice (IDW QMS 1 (09.2022)). We have complied with the professional duties in accordance with the German Auditors' Code and the Professional Code for Wirtschaftsprüfer / vereidigte Buchprüfer, including the independence requirements.

#### **RESPONSIBILITY OF THE LEGAL REPRESENTATIVES AND THE SUPERVISORY BOARD**

The legal representatives and the Supervisory Board are responsible for compiling the compensation report, including the related disclosures, that complies with the requirements of section 162 of the German Stock Corporation Act (AktG). They are also responsible for such internal control as they determine is necessary to enable the preparation of a compensation report that is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud (i.e. accounting fraud or fraudulent misrepresentation) or error.

#### **EXTERNAL AUDITOR'S RESPONSIBILITIES**

Our objective is to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the information required by section 162 (1) and (2) of the German Stock Corporation Act (AktG) has been disclosed in all material respects in the compensation report and to express an opinion on this in an auditor's report.

We planned and conducted our audit to determine the formal completeness of the compensation report by comparing the disclosures made in the compensation report with the disclosures required by section 162 (1) and (2) of the German Stock Corporation Act (AktG). In compliance with section 162 (3) of the German Stock Corporation Act (AktG), we have not audited the accuracy of the disclosures, the completeness of the content of the individual disclosures, or the appropriate presentation of the compensation report.

Osnabrück, 13 March 2024

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