

#### **Nordex SE**

### Factbook for Investors re Board Member Remuneration & Capital Authorizations

Annual General Meeting of Nordex SE in Hamburg on 5 May 2021

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### Selected agenda items of the Annual General Meeting 2021 (1/2)

#### > CAPITAL AUTHORIZATIONS

### Agenda item [8]

Resolution on the creation of a new <u>Authorized Capital I</u> & Dissolution of previous Authorized Capital I

- ➤ The existing authorization was exercised by way of the cash capital increase in Dec 2020 15.5m shares remaining
- > Proposal to AGM2021:
  - "refill" volume to 23.46m shares (20% of 117m shares)
  - > reset overall cap at 40% of current share capital (40% of 117m shares: 46.9m shares)
  - > renew authorization for exclusion of shareholders' subscription rights

### Agenda item [9]

Resolution on renewal of <u>Authorized</u> Capital II

- > to date no programme, no shares issued
- > Proposal to AGM2021:
  - ➤ adapt volume to 3.5m shares (<3% of current share capital)</p>
  - > allocate 1.5m shares to employee shares
  - allocate 2m shares for issue in lieu of cash payment of salary and remuneration claims of senior management and MB members (salary shares - new)



### Selected agenda items of the Annual General Meeting 2021 (2/2)

#### > CAPITAL AUTHORIZATIONS

### Agenda item [10]

Resolution on the adaption of the overall cap ("ceiling") regarding capital authorizations

> Reset overall cap for all capital measures (except employee shares & stock options): ca. 46.9m shares (= 40% of ca. 117m shares)

### Agenda item [11]

Resolution on renewal of authorization to issue stock options (Stock Option Plan 2021) and creation of corresponding new Contingent Capital II

- > to date **no programme**, no options granted
- > Proposal to AGM2021:
  - > adapt volume to 3.5m shares (<3% of current share capital)
  - > Extend potential programme scope:
    - > senior management (= two levels below Management Board); and
    - > (new:) middle and lower management (incl. experts on corresponding grading levels)



### Overall limit for capital authorizations: Authorised Capital and Contingent Capital

All authorizations post AGM2021:

Overall maximum new share issues:

Overall maximum exclusion of subscription rights:

#### **Authorized Capital III & Contingent Capital II**

<6% of share capital

#### Status Quo

after capital increase Dec 2020: Overall cap (from EGM2020) of 32 million shares (= 27.3% of share capital) for aggregate Authorized Capital and Contingent Capital\*

#### Authorized Capital I, II & Contingent Capital I

Auth. Cap. I: <20% of share capital Auth. Cap II: 13.64% of share capital Cont. Cap I: 15.71% of share capital

#### New:

(Proposal to AGM2021) Reset overall cap at 46.9 million shares

(= 40% of current share capital) for aggregate Authorized Capital and Contingent Capital\*

Overall maximum of 10%

for the issue of new shares with exclusion of subscription rights (excluding stock options and employee shares)



### Remuneration System – Regular remuneration components

#### Fixed remuneration Variable remuneration Shareholding obligation/ **Short-term incentive (STI)** Long-term incentive (LTI) reinvestment Investment equal to 100% of ▶ **50%** financial corporate target ▶ 80% share-based target annual base salary (gross) in ▶ **50%** individual performance (capital market target) Fringe benefits Nordex shares ▶ 20% non-financial sustainability (private use of targets Pro rata accumulation of at targets (LTI-ESG targets) Annual company car, least 25% of the STI payment allowances for health base salary amount (net) and long-term care insurance, accident Holding period that covers the insurance coverage) MB member's respective tenure plus two years Capped at 200% Capped at 300% of the target amount of the target amount

#### Malus and clawback

(Reduction or clawback of variable remuneration components)

Maximum remuneration defined according to MB member's role



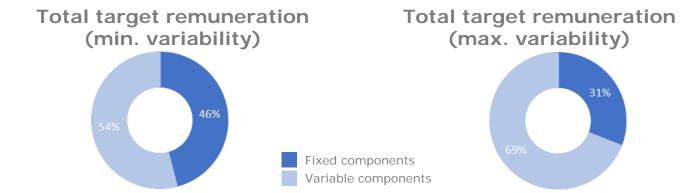
### Remuneration System – Remuneration structure

General principles

- Management board (MB) members receive a remuneration comprising fixed and variable components
- > Fixed components:
  - > annual base salary
  - > fringe benefits
- > Variable components:
  - > Short-term incentive (STI) with a performance period of one year
  - > Long-term incentive (LTI) with a multi-year performance period

Proposed guideline in remuneration system

- > The proportion of fixed and variable remuneration components may vary between MB members to reflect differences in roles and responsibilities
- > The value of fringe benefits should not exceed 5% of the annual base salary (today 0.2-2.2%)





### Remuneration System – Fixed remuneration components

#### General principles

- Annual base salary may vary between MB members according to roles, responsibilities and relevant experience
- > No occupational pension schemes nor any payments in lieu of pensions (Versorgungsentgelte)

# Proposed guideline in remuneration system

- > Annual base salary paid in 12 equal monthly installments
- > Fringe benefits may include:
  - > Private use of company car
  - > Allowances for health care and long-term care insurance up to the amount of an employer's contribution to the statutory health and long-term care insurance
  - > Accident insurance coverage
  - > Inclusion in company's D&O insurance (subject to deductible)
  - > Continued pay over 6-months period in case of long-term illness
  - > Continued payment of the annual base salary for up to 6 months in the event of death



### Remuneration System - Variable remuneration components

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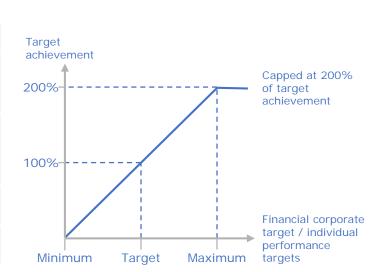
#### > STI - SHORT-TERM INCENTIVE

#### General principles

- STI incentivizes achieving annual targets of the company derived from budget and mid-term planning and measured by operational performance indicators (financial and non-financial)
- Two sets of performance criteria: a company-wide financial corporate target and individual performance targets
- Relevant individual performance criteria to be determined by the supervisory board prior to the beginning of the relevant financial year
- > Market practice as well as legal requirement of a defined maximum remuneration mandate that STI payout amount be capped
- In case that minimum targets are not met, there will be no STI payout

Proposed guideline in remuneration system





Target scale - STI





### Remuneration System – Variable remuneration components

#### > LTI - LONG-TERM INCENTIVE (1/2)

#### General principles

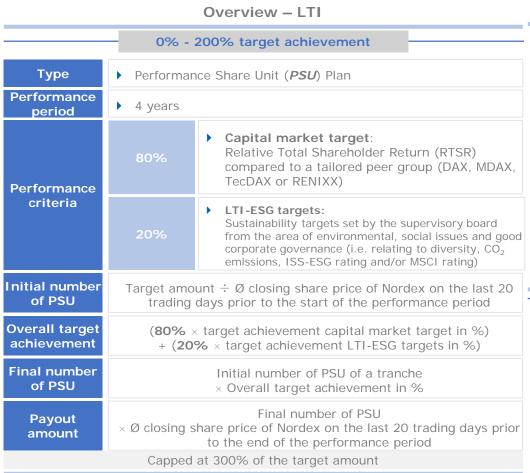
- > LTI incentivizes long-term sustainable growth of the company, mainly to align MB members' interests with the interests of shareholders
- > LTI on the basis of an equity-based *Performance Share Unit* (*PSU*) *Plan* with a multi-year performance period
- Performance is assessed on the basis of a capital markets related target (typically as relative performance against capital market) as well as by performance against ESG targets (LTI-ESG targets)
- Supervisory board determines performance criteria and weighting of LTI-ESG targets amongst each before the beginning of a performance period depending on the current strategic targets of the company and a corresponding prioritisation
- Market practice as well as legal requirement of a defined maximum remuneration mandate that LTI payout amount be capped
- > In case that minimum targets are not met, there will be no LTI payout
- > Payout settled either in shares or in cash

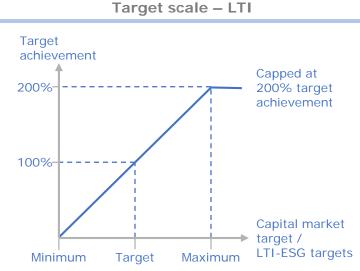


### Remuneration System - Variable remuneration components

#### > LTI - LONG-TERM INCENTIVE (2/2)

Proposed guideline in remuneration system







### Remuneration System – Benchmarking of remuneration

#### > HORIZONTAL BENCHMARKING

#### General principles

> The appropriateness of executive remuneration must be assessed via a horizontal benchmark against comparable companies

#### Proposed guideline in remuneration system

- Horizontal benchmarking should be performed against a peer group of comparable characteristics. The peer group may comprise German and international companies
- > Typical indicators for peer group selection are:
  - > Size (revenues, number of employees, market capitalization)

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- > Headquarter location
- > Reach of operations (global vs. regional)
- > Stock market index (MDAX, SDAX, RENIXX)
- > Industry (energy and mechanical engineering)

#### > VERTICAL BENCHMARKING

#### General principles

- > Executive remuneration also to be assessed internally against staff remuneration
- > Supervisory board therefore to determine a suitable group of employees

#### Proposed guideline in remuneration system

- > Assessment against two groups, namely (a) management level, and (b) wider workforce:
  - (a) The "management level" group may be defined as the two levels below the MB
  - (b) The "wider workforce" group may be defined as employees of Nordex SE in Germany as well as employees of German subsidiaries employed in Germany



### Remuneration System – Caps and requirements

#### > MAXIMUM REMUNERATION (PAYOUT CAP)

Absolute payout cap

> The maximum remuneration is an absolute cap and defines the highest amount that a MB member may receive for a given year

Proposed guideline in remuneration system

- > The maximum remuneration for the CEO may not exceed EUR 5m gross p.a.
- > The maximum remuneration for other MB members may not exceed EUR 3.5m gross p.a.

#### > SHAREHOLDING REQUIREMENTS / REINVESTMENT

Shareholding requirements > The mandatory shareholding requirement further aligns the interests of MB members with those of the shareholders. MB members are required to invest - over time - in shares in the equivalent value of one annual base salary

Proposed guideline in remuneration system

> MB members may be required to invest at least 25% of their annual net payout from the STI into shares until the full investment requirement is met and hold the shares for a period that covers their respective tenure plus two years



### Remuneration System – Malus and clawbacks

#### Malus and clawbacks

> Malus and clawback rules to be implemented that allow the supervisory board to withhold or reclaim the variable remuneration in certain cases

# Proposed guideline in remuneration system

- > Reduce or reclaim variable remuneration if (i) a MB member demonstrably violates her or his duties such that there are grounds for an extraordinary termination, or (ii) demonstrably violates her or his essential duties of care pursuant to Sec 93 AktG either intentionally or by gross misconduct
- > Clawback period to be extended to three (3) years after payment

### Remuneration System – Miscellaneous regulations

# Deductions of remuneration for secondary activities

> The annual base salary generally covers all positions held by MB member for the company and its affiliated companies

#### Severance Cap

Not more than two years' annual remuneration and not more than the MB member would receive for the remainder of his or her term. No severance payments if there is grounds for termination for cause of the service agreement

#### Leaver Rules

> Forfeiture rules (for so-called "bad leaver" constellations) with regard to outstanding tranches under the LTI or STI payments

# Extraordinary developments

Exceptional developments during a performance period may be taken into account by the supervisory board in determining target achievement, both in relation to STI and LTI, at its reasonable discretion. This may result in an increase or decrease in the respective variable remuneration, whereby the relevant absolute payout cap in each case may in no case be exceeded

# Non-compete agreement

> A post-contractual non-compete agreement may be agreed with the MB members for a period of up to 24 months. Appropriate compensation (*Karenzentschädigung*), to be determined on a case-by-case basis, granted for such period. Any severance payments due to premature termination shall be fully offset against such amount



### Thank you very much for voting



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