

Media release

## **Results from DKSH Annual General Meeting of Shareholders**

- **Annual Report, annual financial statements and consolidated financial statements for the financial year 2013 approved**
- **Ordinary and extraordinary dividend totaling CHF 1.10 per share resolved**
- **Discharge of all members of the Board of Directors and Executive Board**
- **Reelection of all members of the Board including Chairman, as well as election of David Kamenetzky as new Board member**
- **For the first time the AGM elects members of the Nomination and Compensation Committee and independent proxy**

Zurich, Switzerland, April 15, 2014 – DKSH (SIX: DKSH), the leading Market Expansion Services provider with a focus on Asia, announced today that its 81st ordinary Annual General Meeting (AGM) voted in favor of all Board of Directors' proposals. 75.5% of total share capital was represented.

The shareholders approved the Annual Report, the annual financial statements and the consolidated financial statements for the financial year 2013 as well as the use and allocation of balance sheet profit of last year.

The AGM approved the payout of dividends in line with DKSH's long-term policy of paying out 25%-35% of profit after tax. For an ordinary dividend of CHF 0.95 per registered share, CHF 61.1 million are released from legal reserves from capital contribution. Furthermore, the AGM resolved to pay out an extraordinary dividend of CHF 0.15 per share by releasing CHF 9.6 million from legal reserves from capital contribution. This allows shareholders to participate in the income from the sale of a property in Malaysia. The distribution of a total dividend of CHF 1.10 per share, which is tax-exempt for Swiss-domiciled private shareholders, is set to start as of April 24, 2014.

The shareholders at the AGM granted discharge of the members of the Board of Directors and Executive Board from liability in relation to their duties in the financial year 2013.

All the Directors of the Board of DKSH Holding Ltd. – namely, Adrian T. Keller (Chairman), Rainer-Marc Frey, Dr. Frank Ch. Gulich, Andreas W. Keller, Robert Peugeot, Dr. Theo Siegert, Dr. Hans Christoph Tanner and Dr. Joerg Wolle (President & CEO) – were reelected for a term of office until completion of the next ordinary AGM. Adrian T. Keller was reelected as Chairman of the Board for the same time period, while David Kamenetzky was elected as new Board member.

As proposed by the Board of Directors, shareholders elected members of the Nomination and Compensation Committee as well as an independent proxy. Andreas W. Keller, Dr. Frank Ch. Gulich and Robert Peugeot were elected as members of the Nomination and Compensation Committee while Ernst A. Widmer was elected as independent proxy until completion of the next ordinary AGM.

Ernst & Young Ltd. Zurich was reappointed as DKSH's statutory auditors for the financial year 2014.

DKSH Chairman Adrian T. Keller said: "2013 was another record year for DKSH. We wish to thank our shareholders for their trust and are convinced that DKSH is set to continue its course of sustainable, profitable growth."

**About DKSH**

DKSH is the leading Market Expansion Services provider with a focus on Asia. As the term "Market Expansion Services" suggests, DKSH helps other companies and brands to grow their business in new or existing markets.

Publicly listed on the SIX Swiss Exchange since March 2012, DKSH is a global company headquartered in Zurich. With 735 business locations in 35 countries – 710 of them in Asia – and 26,700 specialized staff, DKSH generated net sales of CHF 9.6 billion in 2013.

The company offers a tailor-made, integrated portfolio of sourcing, marketing, sales, distribution, and after-sales services. It provides business partners with expertise as well as on-the-ground logistics based on a comprehensive network of unique size and depth. Business activities are organized into four specialized Business Units that mirror DKSH fields of expertise: Consumer Goods, Healthcare, Performance Materials, and Technology.

With strong Swiss heritage, the company has nearly a 150-year-long tradition of doing business in and with Asia, and is deeply rooted in communities and businesses across Asia Pacific.

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