

Media release

## **Shareholders approve all motions at the 83rd Ordinary General Meeting**

- Financial Statements and Group Consolidated Financial Statements for the financial year 2015 approved
- Shareholders resolve distribution of an ordinary dividend of CHF 1.30 per share
- . All members of the Board of Directors and of the Executive Board discharged
- Approval of the compensation of the members of the Board of Directors and the Executive Board
- Re-election of all Board members including Chairman, Nomination and Compensation Committee as well as Statutory Auditors and Independent Proxy

Zurich, Switzerland, March 30, 2016 – DKSH (SIX: DKSH), the leading Market Expansion Services provider with a focus on Asia, announced today that its 83rd Ordinary General Meeting voted in favor of all proposals by the Board of Directors. In total 250 shareholders (81.4% of share capital) were present at the meeting.

The shareholders approved the Financial Statements and the Group Consolidated Financial Statements for the financial year 2015 as well as the appropriation of available earnings as per balance sheet 2015. Shareholders approved the payout of dividends. The distribution of an ordinary dividend of CHF 1.30 per share (total value: CHF 84.6 million) starts as of April 5, 2016.

The shareholders granted discharge from liability to each member of the Board of Directors and of the Executive Board for the financial year 2015. The maximum compensation of the members of the Board of Directors for 2016 and of the Executive Board for 2017 has been approved.

All Directors of the Board of DKSH – namely Adrian T. Keller (Chairman), Rainer-Marc Frey, Dr. Frank Ch. Gulich, David Kamenetzky, 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 General Meeting. Adrian T. Keller was reelected as Chairman of the Board for the same time period.

Andreas W. Keller, Dr. Frank Ch. Gulich and Robert Peugeot were re-elected as members of the Nomination and Compensation Committee.

Ernst & Young Ltd., Zurich was re-appointed as DKSH's Statutory Auditors for the financial year 2016. Ernst A. Widmer was re-elected as Independent Proxy until completion of the next Ordinary General Meeting.

DKSH Chairman Adrian T. Keller said: "We continued to grow in a profitable way in our anniversary year 2015 and gained further market share in spite of a challenging environment. This is another proof of the resilience of our business model. In 2016, we reach another two milestones in our history. 110 years ago, we established the first branch in Thailand and 20 years ago we started business activities in Myanmar. Today, we are the clear market leader in Asia with around 28,300 specialists and we are confident to continue to grow sustainably and profitably."

## **About DKSH Group**

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 2012, DKSH is a global company headquartered in Zurich. With 770 business locations in 36 countries – 740 of them in Asia – and 28,300 specialized staff, DKSH generated net sales of CHF 10.1 billion in 2015.



DKSH was founded in 1865. With strong Swiss heritage, the company has a long tradition of doing business in and with Asia and is deeply rooted in communities and businesses across Asia Pacific.

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