

## **Vienna Insurance Group Annual General Meeting 2012**

## Raise in dividend by 10 percent to EUR 1.10 per share

On 4 May 2012 the 21st Annual General Meeting of **Vienna Insurance Group AG Wiener Versicherung Gruppe** was held at Stadthalle in Vienna. Due to an increase in the profit (before taxes) by 10.1 percent to about EUR 560 million and a growth in premiums by 3.4 percent to about EUR 9 billion, the best result in Group's history has been achieved. The double-digit profit increase in the core markets Austria, Poland, Slovakia and the Czech Republic has been remarkable.

In view of the excellent result, the Annual General Meeting approved the motion of the Managing Board **to raise the dividend** by **10 percent** and to pay **EUR 1.10 per share**. The dividend payment date and the ex-dividend date is 14 May 2012.

**Ms. Gertrude Tumpel-Gugerell**, who has been a member of the Executive Board of the European Central Bank until 2011 and is currently active as emerita consultant for the Austrian Institute of Economic Research (WIFO), has been elected into the Supervisory Board. As a renowned financial and economic expert, Ms. Tumpel-Gugerell looks back on a longstanding experience in various executive bodies and has a profound knowledge of European economic policy and financial market stability.

The **Supervisory Board** of **Vienna Insurance Group AG Wiener Versicherung Gruppe** is composed as follows:

Wolfgang Ruttenstorfer, Chairman Karl Skyba, Deputy Chairman Bernhard Backovsky Martina Dobringer Alois Hochegger Heinz Öhler Reinhard Ortner Martin Roman Gertrude Tumpel-Gugerell Friedrich Stara

The resolutions of the Annual General Meeting were adopted by the shareholders with a large majority of votes. More detailed information is available for download on the Internet: http://www.vig.com/annual-general-meeting

The statement of General Manager Günter Geyer on the consolidated financial statements for 2011 presented at today's Annual General Meeting were recorded and will be available on the Internet as from approx. 5 p.m.: <u>http://webcast.a1.net/vig\_hv\_2012/event\_165/en/?status=4</u>

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On the Austrian market, the Vienna Insurance Group positions itself with Wiener Städtische Versicherung, Donau Versicherung and Sparkassen Versicherung.

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