

Media Release

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**VAT Group AG Annual General Meeting 2026:
Shareholders approved all Board proposals and a dividend increase of
12% to CHF 7.00 per share**

The shareholders of VAT Group AG approved all motions proposed by the Board of Directors at today's ordinary Annual General Meeting (AGM), including the payout of a 12% increased dividend of CHF 7.00 per share.

449 shareholders representing 53.7% of the company's share capital were present at the meeting held in St.Gallen.

The shareholders re-elected Dr. Martin Komischke as Chairman of the Board of Directors. In addition, Urs Leinhäuser, Libo Zhang, Daniel Lippuner, Petra Denk and Thomas A. Piliszczuk, Clara-Ann Gordon and Mike Allison were confirmed as members of the Board of Directors. Hermann Gerlinger did not stand for re-election as he reached the VAT statutory age limit of 72 years.

Urs Leinhäuser, Petra Denk and Libo Zhang were elected to the Nomination and Compensation Committee (NCC).

The shareholders approved a dividend from accumulated gains of CHF 7.00 per registered share of VAT. The last trading day with entitlement to receive a dividend is Wednesday, April 29, 2026, and VAT shares will be traded ex-dividend as of Thursday, April 30, 2026. The payment will take place on Tuesday, May 5, 2026.

The shareholders approved in a consultative vote the report on non-financial matters (Sustainability Report 2025). In addition, the compensation report 2025 was also endorsed by a vast majority of shareholders in a consultative vote. Shareholders also approved in separate binding votes the short-term incentive (STI) compensation of the Group Executive Committee (GEC) for the financial year 2025, the total maximum amount of fixed compensation of the GEC for the financial year 2027, the maximum amount of the long-term incentive (LTI) compensation of the GEC for the financial year 2027 and the total maximum amount of compensation for the eight members of the Board covering the next term until the AGM 2027.

In addition, shareholders also approved that art. 3b of the Articles of Association of VAT Group AG be amended and the capital band of -5/ +10% of the issued share capital be extended for a period of three years until April 27, 2029.

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Financial Calendar

2026	
Thursday, April 30, 2026	Ex-dividend date
Tuesday, May 5, 2026	Dividend payment
Wednesday, July 22, 2026	First-half 2026 results
Thursday, October 15, 2026	Trading Update for the third quarter of 2026

ABOUT VAT

We are changing the world with vacuum solutions—that is our purpose as the world’s leading provider of high-end vacuum valves. The Group reports in two segments: Valves and Global Service. The Valves segment is a global developer, manufacturer, and supplier of vacuum valves for the semiconductor, display, photovoltaic, and vacuum coating industries, as well as for industrial and research applications. Global Service offers customers local expert support and provides original spare parts, repairs, and upgrades. VAT generated net sales of CHF 1,074 million in 2025 and employs approximately 3,250 people worldwide, with representatives in 29 countries and production sites in Switzerland, Malaysia, and Romania.

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