Regulated information

Option to receive the 2017 dividend payment in shares

Paris, 24 May 2018

The Company’s Combined General Meeting of Shareholders, held on 24 May 2018, approved the proposed dividend for the fiscal year 2017, i.e. € 1.70 per share, and has decided that each shareholder may elect to receive the dividend payment either in cash or in new shares of the Company.

The option to receive the dividend payment in new shares of the Company may be exercised by the shareholders between May 31, 2018 and June 13, 2018 inclusive, by sending their request to the financial intermediaries authorized to pay said dividend or, for shareholders listed in the issuer registered accounts held by the Company, to its authorized representative (Société Générale, Département des Titres et Bourse, 32, rue du Champ de Tir, CS 30812 – 44308 Nantes Cedex 3). After June 13, 2018, or if the option is not exercised, the dividend shall only be paid in cash.

The maximum total number of new shares of the Company which may be issued for the purpose of the dividend payment in shares is 1,709,451 shares, which represents 1.62% of the share capital and of the voting rights of the Company on the day of the General Meeting of Shareholders.

The issuance price of the new shares of the Company which will be issued in consideration for the dividend is set at € 105.07, and is equal to 95% of the average opening prices on Euronext Paris regulated market over the twenty trading days before May 24, 2018, i.e. the date of the Combined General Meeting, less the dividend amount and rounded up to the next highest euro cent.

If the amount of the dividends for which the option is exercised by a shareholder does not correspond to a whole number of shares, such shareholder shall receive the immediately lower number of shares plus the balance in cash.

The ex-dividend date for the 2017 fiscal year dividend shall be May 31, 2018 and payment will start as from June 22, 2018.

The new ordinary shares of the Company issued in consideration for the dividend will carry entitlement to dividend rights as from January 1, 2018 and shall be the object of a listing request on Euronext Paris.

The newly-issued shares will be of the same class and equivalent to the ordinary shares of the Company already listed on Euronext Paris (Compartiment A –ISIN Code FR0000051732) and will therefore carry the same rights and restrictions as common shares in circulation, as described in the Company’s Articles of Association and Atos SE’s 2017 Registration Document (available on www.atos.net).
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As far as tax aspects regarding the payment of the dividends in shares are concerned, shareholders are invited to examine their specific situation with their usual tax advisor. When making their decision to receive or not the dividend in shares, shareholders must consider the risks associated with an investment in shares.

For any additional information regarding the Company, its activity, its strategy, its financial results and the risk factors associated with its activity, please refer to Atos SE’s 2017 Registration Document (available on www.atos.net).