



Announcement

Share capital change – Share capital return

5 August 2015 – HELLENIC EXCHANGES-ATHENS STOCK EXCHANGE S.A. HOLDING (ATHEX) informs investors that:

- The 14th Annual General Meeting of shareholders which took place on Wednesday 20.05.2015 approved the increase of the share capital of the Company by €43,796,937.21 by capitalizing part of the “Share premium” reserve, through an increase in the share par value by €0.67 (from €0.74 to €1.41).
- The 1st Repetitive General Meeting of shareholders, which took place on Wednesday 03.06.2015 approved the reduction of the share capital of the Company by the amount of €7,190,541.93 through a reduction in the share par value by €0.11 (from €1.41 to €1.30), and payment of this amount to shareholders.

Following the above mentioned reduction, the share capital of the Company amounts to **€84,979,131.90**, divided into **65,368,563 common registered shares** with a par value of **€1.30** each.

On Monday 29.06.2015, decisions 70152/29.06.2015 and 70150/29.06.2015 were registered at the General Electronic Commercial Registry (GEMI) (registration numbers 379640 and 379685 respectively) by the Ministry of Economy, Infrastructure, Shipping & Tourism, approving the modifications of the relevant article in the Company’s Articles of Association resulting from the increase, and respective decrease in the share capital.

The ATHEX Stock Markets Steering Committee was informed on 05.08.2015 about the abovementioned changes in the par value of the Company’s shares.

Beneficiaries of the special dividend (share capital return) of €0.11 per share, based on the record date rule, are shareholders of the Company that are registered on the Dematerialized Securities System (DSS) on **Monday 10.08.2015** (ex-date on Friday 07.08.2015 before the start of trading on Athens Exchange).

On the same date (07.08.2015), the opening price of the shares of the Company on ATHEX will be determined in accordance with the Athens Exchange Rulebook, in conjunction with Decision 26 of the BoD of ATHEX, as it applies.



The payment date for the share capital return is **Thursday 13.08.2015**. Payment will be effected by the **Bank of Piraeus** as follows:

1. Through the DSS operators, in accordance with paragraph 5.5 of the ATHEX Rulebook and 39 of the DSS Rulebook, provided they are entitled to receive the special dividend.
2. Through the branch network of Bank of Piraeus, for those shareholders that have requested an exception from their DSS operator or have their shares in the Special Account of their Investor's Share Securities Account kept with DSS, in accordance with the conditions and restrictions that are in effect at the time regarding cash withdrawals and capital transfers.
3. Shareholders who, for whatever reason, are not able to collect the special dividend through their operators will be able to receive it starting on Wednesday 19.08.2015 through the branch network of Bank of Piraeus, in accordance with the conditions and restrictions that are in effect at the time regarding cash withdrawals and capital transfers. In order to receive the dividend at the bank shareholders must present their ID and the DSS account information. Third parties wishing to receive the dividend must have an authorization from the beneficiary; this authorization must contain the details of both the beneficiary as well as of the third party (first and last name, father's name, ID number and VAT number), and the signature of the beneficiary must be verified by the appropriate authorities.

Starting on **Monday 10.08.2020**, payment of special dividend in cash will be made by the Company.

The ex-date (Friday 07.08.2015) is before the expiration of the following future contracts that are traded in the derivatives market: Future with the ATHEX share as the underlying security – expiration on 18.09.2015, and future on the FTSE/ATHEX LARGE CAP (in which ATHEX is a component stock) – expiration on 21.08.2015.

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