Composition, objectives, diversity concept and profile of skills and expertise of the Supervisory Board

Pursuant to Section 11 of the Articles of Association, the Supervisory Board of EUROKAI is composed of six members, who are elected by the shareholders. They are appointed for a term of four years. In compliance with the recommendations of the German Corporate Governance Code, Supervisory Board members are elected individually.

Giving consideration to the fact that EUROKAI is a pure financial holding company whose investment holdings operate nationally and internationally almost exclusively in the field of port handling, as well as indirectly in related upstream and downstream areas of activity in the transport sector, the Supervisory Board has specified concrete objectives regarding its composition. These objectives are intended on the one hand to ensure that the Supervisory Board of EUROKAI GmbH & Co KGaA in its entirety is familiar with the sector in which the company operates within the meaning of Section 100 (5) of the German Stock Corporation Act (AktG), and at the same time they define a profile of skills and expertise that its members as a group should possess in accordance with Recommendation C.1 of the Code and describe the diversity concept pursued within the meaning of Section 289f (2) no. 6 of the German Commercial Code (HGB). These objectives do not, however, constitute binding requirements to be heeded by shareholders eligible to elect members, who remain completely free in making their decisions. Rather, election recommendations made by the Supervisory Board to the General Meeting should take these objectives into account as a basis for implementation by corresponding resolution of the General Meeting. The current composition of the Supervisory Board and its Audit Committee can be found in the Report of the Supervisory Board.

The diversity concept aims to comply with the recommendation of the Code under Principle 11, namely that the composition of the Supervisory Board has to ensure "that its members collectively possess the knowledge, skills and professional expertise required to properly perform their duties".

The Supervisory Board has specified the following concrete objectives:

- Irrespective of the gender of the respective person concerned, professional qualifications and personal independence and expertise, as well as discretion, integrity and sufficient available time are the most important prerequisites for appointments to seats on the Supervisory Board. When proposing Supervisory Board candidates for election, irrespective of their gender, the Supervisory Board will always give top priority to these prerequisites, which are essential for fulfilling its legal duties.
- Overall, the Supervisory Board's objective is to be able to optimally meet its monitoring and advisory duties by having a diver-

sity of members. Diversity covers many aspects, which may be weighted differently from time to time. This may, for example, be the case if the profile of the EUROKAI, EUROGATE and/or CONTSHIP Italia Group or that of the respective markets changes, making it necessary to evaluate these aspects at regular intervals. Obviously, not all Supervisory Board members need to satisfy all of these aspects; however, the Board as a whole should do so as far as possible. Within the company-specific situation of EUROKAI, these aspects shall reflect internationality, knowledge of the respective product and geographical markets, basic financial expertise (particularly in the areas of accounting and financial reporting), expertise concerning the sustainability issues relevant to EUROKAI, capability to understand and critically scrutinise business decisions and experience in commercial law gained from practice. To ensure the composition of the Supervisory Board fulfils the overall profile of required skills and expertise, consideration shall be given generally to age, gender, general educational and professional background, as well as the ability to work in a team, integrity, professionalism and motivation. It goes without saying that each Supervisory Board member must ensure that they have sufficient time available to discharge their duties. Lastly, care shall be taken to ensure that there are no potential conflicts of interest and that the Supervisory Board includes an appropriate number of independent members within the meaning of C II of the Code. In the following, a number of concrete objectives are identified.

- At least two members of the Supervisory Board shall have international business experience; they do not necessarily have to be foreigners themselves and do not necessarily need to have acquired the relevant experience abroad.
- At least one Supervisory Board member shall have experience and expertise in the business segments that are significant for the company.
- As defined by Section 100 (5) of the German Stock Corporation Act (AktG), at least one member of the Supervisory Board shall possess expertise in the field of accounting and financial reporting and one member in the field of auditing. This shall also apply to the Audit Committee.
- 6. The Supervisory Board shall include at least one legal expert with experience in commercial law gained through practice.
- The members as a group shall be familiar with the business sector in which the company operates.
- 8. As long as EUROKAI by virtue of its shareholder structure as is currently the case – can be considered to be a family-owned company, the Supervisory Board shall have at least (i) one family member and (ii) one member who has experience in managing a medium-sized or large family-owned company. The family member shall, if possible, be a member of the Audit Committee.
- 9. The Supervisory Board shall include what it considers an adequate number of independent members, as defined by C II of the Code. This recommendation further implies that any other activities and functions exercised by the members of the Supervisory Board shall be such that they are not likely to cause a substantial



– and not merely temporary – conflict of interest. Given that by virtue of its shareholder structure the company can currently be considered to be a family-owned company, the Supervisory Board considers it desirable that at least two of its members are independent, whereby these members shall be independent from both EUROKAI and the family.

- No one shall be proposed for election to the Supervisory Board who simultaneously serves on a body of or advises a major competitor of the company, or provides consultancy services thereto.
- 11. The Supervisory Board considers it generally desirable to integrate women into the work of the company, as is currently and has for many years been the case regarding the work of the Management Board of the Personally Liable General Partner, and consequently also the tasks of the Supervisory Board. The Supervisory Board has determined a target to integrate at least one (1) female member into the governing body in the short term, and over the medium term, at the latest by the end of the ordinary General Meeting 2021, two (2) female members, bringing the proportion of seats reserved for women to 1/3.
- 12. As a general rule, an age limit of 75 shall apply for members of the Supervisory Board. Exceptions are permitted in isolated cases, in the knowledge that age in itself is not a criterion for qualifications and expertise and that the many years of experience accumulated by members of the Supervisory Board constitute a valuable asset to the company.
- 13. The Supervisory Board reviews these objectives on a regular basis. It publishes its objectives and the status of their implementation annually in the Corporate Governance Statement.

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