

### **MINUTES**

# of the 112<sup>th</sup> Ordinary Annual General Meeting of

### **Holcim Ltd**

held on 8 May 2024, 9:00am

Bossard Arena, General-Guisan-Strasse 4, 6300 Zug

Chair: Jan Jenisch, Chairman of the Board of Directors

Minute Keeper: Dragana Simijonovic

**Teller** Marilena Balthasar (Obmann)

Morris Thomkins (Vize-Obmann)

Rita Gambetta Stutz

Katharina Götz Biserka Griffel Stephanie Kaiser Manuela Rezes Andrea Schwarz Jennifer Seiler

Independent Proxy Dr. Sabine Burkhalter Kaimakliotis

Auditors Ernst & Young AG, Zürich,

represented by Jacques Pierres und Daniel Zaugg

### **Presence**

The shares are represented as follows:

58'404'230 by shareholders present 287'965'519 by the Independent Proxy

A total of 346'369'749 registered shares is represented, equivalent to 59.81 % of the issued share capital.

811 shareholders are present.

### **Resolution**

The Annual General Meeting passes its resolutions by an absolute majority of the votes represented.

The absolute majority of the represented votes is 173'184'875. The absolute majority of the represented par values is CHF 346'369'750.

# **Constitution**

Jan Jenisch, Chairman of the Board of Directors, takes the chair and declares the meeting open. He calls attention to the fact that a sound and video recording is being made of the Annual General Meeting and explains the safety rules.

Dragana Simijonovic is appointed minute keeper.

The Chairman appoints the tellers.

The Chairman notes that this Annual General Meeting has been convened in compliance with the legal requirements and the Articles of Incorporation, with announcement of the agenda and proposals of the Board of Directors. The requirements stipulated by law and in the Articles of Incorporation for documents to be made available have been met. No use was made of the option provided by Art 11 para. 3 of the Articles of Incorporation to request that additional issues be included on the agenda. Furthermore, the Chairman announces on behalf of the Independent Proxy that, in accordance with Art. 689c para. 5 of the Swiss Code of Obligations, the Independent Proxy informed the Board of Directors in a general manner on 6 May 2024 about the instructions received.

The Chairman, Miljan Gutovic (CEO) and Steffen Kindler (CFO) then addressed the shareholders their speeches. speeches in The are available at https://www.holcim.com/investors/shareholder-information/annual-generalmeeting/2024-annual-general-meeting.

The Chairman gives the shareholders the opportunity to speak.

Frank Van Pernis, member of Actares, praises the excellent performance of the Holcim share and the company's strategy, in particular the resulting decarbonization of Holcim. Holcim's awareness of the sustainable use of available resources is also a key factor. The increased recycling of construction materials by Holcim is also positively emphasized. Mr. Van Pernis reports that he was able to find out personally about the renaturation of gravel pits at the open day in Hüntwangen. He inquired about the consequences of the planned North American spinoff for Holcim shareholders, as well as the reasons for Holcim's share buyback program.

The Chairman thanked him for his comments and confirmed that sustainability was a key issue at Holcim. With regard to the two questions, the Chairman first explained that the transaction structure for the North America spin-off was currently being worked out and that shareholders would be informed of this during the second half of the year. He confirmed that the project would be designed to be as tax-efficient as possible and that shareholders would have the opportunity to vote on it at an Extraordinary General Meeting. The Chairman then explained the share buyback and pointed out in particular that the company wanted shareholders to participate in the company's success through this program.

Yvan Maillard Ardenti, an employee of the aid organization of the Protestant churches (HEKS), comments on Holcim's climate report and on climate damage in general. He explains his view of Holcim's responsibility for climate change. He asked to what extent Holcim was prepared to assume responsibility for climate issues and to pay compensation to affected people for climate damage and contributions to climate change adaptation measures.

The Chairman mentioned that HEKS was supporting a lawsuit brought by four Indonesian islanders against Holcim and did not wish to comment further on ongoing proceedings. He emphasized that climate protection measures are at the heart of the company's strategy, which have led to massive reductions in C2 emissions.

Petra Kalman, representative of the Királyegyháza cement plant in Hungary, once again makes statements on the long-running legal dispute over a plant in Hungary. She made a number of accusations against Holcim and repeatedly explained her view of why previous settlement negotiations had failed.

The Chairman once again rejects the false accusations that have been repeated for years at the General Meeting. Numerous offers of possible solutions to the conflict were rejected by Mr. Kalman, most recently in the autumn of last year. The Chairman emphasized that there was still a willingness to talk and that he hoped that an agreement on a reasonable basis would be made possible by the voter's father.

Max Enderli thanked the Chairman for the successful and exemplary management of the company. He also paid tribute to the employees of Holcim, who were clearly working as a team for a great company.

The Chairman thanked him for his kind words and confirmed that Holcim worked as a team worldwide.

Nobody else asks to be given the floor.

#### Agenda

# Item 1

Management report, annual consolidated financial statements of the Group, annual financial statements of Holcim Ltd, compensation report, report on non-financial matters, climate report; auditor's reports

#### **Item 1.1**

Approval of the management report, the annual consolidated financial statements of the Group, and the annual financial statements of Holcim Ltd

The Board of Directors proposes approval of the management report, the annual consolidated financial statements of the Group, and the annual financial statements of Holcim Ltd. The Chairman points out that the Annual Report 2023 could be consulted on the Holcim Website as of 28 February 2023 and was sent to shareholders upon request. The shareholders have been notified in writing about this.

The annual consolidated financial statements of the Group and the annual financial statements of Holcim Ltd have been audited by the auditors, Ernst & Young AG. The representatives of the auditors, upon consultation, stated before the meeting that they had no additions to make.

The Chairman gives the shareholders the opportunity to speak out on this agenda item.

Nobody asks to be given the floor. The Chairman puts the agenda item to the vote.

The management report, annual consolidated financial statements of the Group and annual financial statements of Holcim Ltd are approved by:

345'237'108 votes in favour (99.58 %) to 260'999 votes against (0.08 %) and 1'174'899 abstentions (0.34 %)

### **Item 1.2**

# Advisory vote on the compensation report

The Board of Directors submits the compensation report 2023 to an advisory vote. The Chairman points out that the compensation report 2023 can be found in the Annual Report, pages 192 through 217. He comments on the compensation policy and objectives of Holcim.

The Chairman gives the shareholders an opportunity to speak out on this agenda item.

Nobody asks to be given the floor. The Chairman puts the agenda item to the advisory vote.

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The compensation report is approved in the advisory vote by:

315'674'231 votes in favour (91.05 %) to 28'619'839 votes against (8.26%) and abstentions (0.69 %) 2'378'912

# **Item 1.3**

# Advisory vote on the report on non-financial matters

Under agenda item 1.3, the Chairman, on behalf of the Board of Directors, proposes that the report on non-financial matters be accepted in an advisory vote. He explains that the company has disclosed in the Integrated Annual Report 2023 how Holcim deals with the non-financial matters listed in Art. 964a et segq. of the Swiss Code of Obligations.

The Chairman gives the shareholders an opportunity to speak out on this agenda item.

Nobody asks to be given the floor. The Chairman puts the agenda item to the advisory vote.

The report on non-financial matters is approved in the advisory vote by:

343'083'277 votes in favour (98.96 %) to 897'880 votes against (0.26 %) and 2'692'636 abstentions (0.78 %)

# <u>Item 1.4</u>

# Advisory vote on the climate report

Under agenda item 1.4, the Chairman proposes on behalf of the Board of Directors that the Climate Report of Holcim for the 2023 financial year be accepted in an advisory vote. He emphasizes that the decarbonization of Holcim to become net-zero is of utmost importance for the company.

The Chairman gives the shareholders an opportunity to speak out on this agenda item.

Nobody asks to be given the floor. The Chairman puts the agenda item to the advisory vote.

The climate report is approved in the advisory vote by:

329'595'087 votes in favour (95.07 %) to 7'264'011 votes against (2.10 %) and

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9'807'703 abstentions (2.83 %)

Item 2

Discharge of the members of the Board of Directors and the persons entrusted with

management

The Board of Directors proposes that discharge be granted to each of its members and each member of the Executive Committee for the 2023 financial year. The Chairman notes that for this agenda item the members of the Board of Directors and other persons who have participated in management are not entitled to vote, that the number of shares represented

and therefore the absolute majority is reduced accordingly.

The Chairman gives the shareholders an opportunity to speak out on this agenda item.

Nobody asks to be given the floor. The Chairman puts the agenda item to the vote.

The discharge of the members of the Board of Directors and the persons entrusted with

management of Holcim Ltd during the 2023 financial year is granted by:

300'744'729

votes in favour (96.74 %) to

6'460'470

votes against (2.08 %) and

3'654'798

abstentions (1.18 %)

Item 3

Appropriation of available earnings and distribution payable out of capital contribution

reserves

**Item 3.1** 

Appropriation of available earnings

The Chairman makes introductory comments on the amount of the distribution payable out of capital contribution reserves and on the appropriation of available earnings. He proposes on behalf of the Board of Directors that the available earnings of CHF 17, 139 million be carried

forward to the new account.

The Chairman gives the shareholders the opportunity to comment on this agenda item.

Nobody asks to be given the floor. The Chairman puts the agenda item to the vote.

The proposal of the Board of Directors on the appropriation of the available earnings is

approved by the Annual General Meeting by:

346'313'688 votes in favour (99.90 %) to votes against (0.02 %) and 81'533 278'741 abstentions (0.08 %)

## **Item 3.2**

# Distribution payable out of capital contribution reserves

The Chairman comments on the appropriation from capital contribution reserves to free reserves and pay-out of CHF 2.80 per registered share of CHF 2.00 par value on the registered share capital entitled to payout up to an amount of CHF 1, 573 million. No pay-out is made on the shares held by the Company and its affiliates at the relevant time. The amount of the payout is reduced accordingly. The distribution is expected to take place on 16 May 2024.

The Chairman gives the shareholders the opportunity to comment on this agenda item.

Nobody asks to be given the floor. The Chairman puts the agenda item to the vote.

The proposal of the Board of Directors on the determination of the pay-out is approved by the Annual General Meeting by:

346'179'638 votes in favour (99.86 %) to 137'326 votes against (0.04 %) and 358'604 abstentions (0.10 %)

## Item 4

## Re-elections and elections

The Chairman gives the shareholders the opportunity to comment on this agenda item and explains that now is the opportunity for all comments related to all motions under agenda item 4 as thereafter all candidates will be proposed for re-election or election in the foreseen order.

Nobody asked to be given the floor.

# Item 4.1

Re-elections of members of the Board of Directors and re-election of the chairman of the Board of Directors

4.1.1 Re-election of Jan Jenisch as a member and re-election as chairman of the Board of Directors

The Chairman hands over the chair for agenda item 4.1.1 to Hanne B. Sørensen, Vice-Chairwoman of the Board of Directors.

On behalf of the Board of Directors, Hanne B. Sørensen first proposes Jan Jenisch to be reelected as a member and as Chairman of the Board of Directors for a further term of office of one year, expiring after the completion of the Annual General Meeting 2025.

She puts agenda item 4.1.1 to vote.

The Annual General Meeting elects Jan Jenisch by:

335'326'870 votes in favour (96.73 %) to 10'097'634 votes against (2.91 %) and 1'250'178 abstentions (0.36 %)

for a further term of office of one year as a member and as Chairman of the Board of Directors.

Hanne B. Sørensen, congratulates Jan Jenisch in the name of the entire Board of Directors and Jan Jenisch retakes the chair. The Chairman expresses his gratitude to the shareholders for placing their confidence in him. He then proposes on behalf of the Board of Directors, all Board members who stand for re-election to be re-elected as members of the Board of Directors for a term of office of one year, expiring after the completion of the Annual General Meeting 2025.

The Chairman puts agenda items 4.1.2 to 4.1.9 to vote.

# 4.1.2 Re-election of Prof. Dr. Philippe Block as a member of the Board of Directors

The Annual General Meeting re-elects Prof. Dr. Philippe Block by:

345'701'441 votes in favour (99.72 %) to votes against (0.17 %) and 577'368 396'784 abstentions (0.11 %)

for a further term of office of one year as member of the Board of Directors.

### 4.1.3 Re-election of Kim Fausing as a member of the Board of Directors

The Annual General Meeting re-elects Kim Fausing by:

344'505'639 votes in favour (99.37 %) to 1'388'745 votes against (0.40 %) and

781'209 abstentions (0.23 %)

for a further term of office of one year as member of the Board of Directors.

#### 4.1.4 Re-election of Leanne Geale as a member of the Board of Directors

The Annual General Meeting re-elects Leanne Geale by:

345'072'992 votes in favour (99.54 %) to 833'568 votes against (0.24 %) and abstentions (0.22 %) 769'033

for a further term of office of one year as member of the Board of Directors.

#### 4.1.5 Re-election of Naina Lal Kidwai as a member of the Board of Directors

The Annual General Meeting re-elects Naina Lal Kidwai by:

335'615'368 votes in favour (96.81 %) to 10'234'154 votes against (2.95 %) and 826'071 abstentions (0.24 %)

for a further term of office of one year as member of the Board of Directors.

### 4.1.6 Re-election of Dr. Ilias Läber as a member of the Board of Directors

The Annual General Meeting re-elects Dr. Ilias Läber by:

344'367'193 votes in favour (99.33 %) to 1'542'896 votes against (0.45 %) and 765'504 abstentions (0.22 %)

for a further term of office of one year as member of the Board of Directors.

# 4.1.7 Re-election of Jürg Oleas as a member of the Board of Directors

The Annual General Meeting re-elects Jürg Oleas by:

344'962'695 votes in favour (99.51 %) to 1'281'945 votes against (0.37 %) and 430'953 abstentions (0.12 %)

for a further term of office of one year as member of the Board of Directors.

# 4.1.8 Re-election of Claudia Sender Ramirez as a member of the Board of Directors

The Annual General Meeting re-elects Claudia Sender Ramirez by:

344'200'320 votes in favour (99.28 %) to 2'064'759 votes against (0.60 %) and 410'514 abstentions (0.12 %)

for a further term of office of one year as member of the Board of Directors.

# 4.1.9 Re-election of Hanne Birgitte Breinbjerg Sørensen as a member of the Board of **Directors**

The Annual General Meeting re-elects Hanne Birgitte Breinbjerg Sørensen by:

340'591'830 votes in favour (98.24 %) to votes against (1.55 %) and 5'360'533 723'230 abstentions (0.21 %)

for a further term of office of one year as member of the Board of Directors.

The Chairman notes that all re-elected members of the Board of Directors have previously declared their acceptance of their possible re-election.

# **Item 4.2**

#### **Elections of new members of the Board of Directors**

The Chairman introduces Catrin Hinkel and Michael H. McGarry, whom the Board of Directors proposes for election as new members. On behalf of the Board of Directors, he proposes that both candidates be elected as members of the Board of Directors for a term of office of one year, expiring after the completion of the Annual General Meeting 2025.

The Chairman puts agenda items 4.2.1 and 4.2.2 to the vote.

#### 4.2.1 Election of Catrin Hinkel as a member of the Board of Directors

The Annual General Meeting elects Catrin Hinkel by:

votes in favour (99.48 %) to 344'843'326 967'851 votes against (0.28 %) and

848'481 abstentions (0.24 %)

for a term of office of one year as member of the Board of Directors.

## 4.2.2 Election of Michael H. McGarry as a member of the Board of Directors

The Annual General Meeting elects Michael H. McGarry by:

344'197'590 votes in favour (99.29 %) to 1'891'778 votes against (0.55 %) and abstentions (0.16 %) 570'290

for a term of office of one year as member of the Board of Directors.

## **Item 4.3**

# Re-elections of members of the Nomination, Compensation & Governance Committee

On behalf of the Board of Directors, the Chairman proposes the members of the Nomination, Compensation & Governance Committee who all stand for re-election to be re-elected for a further term of office of one year, expiring after the completion of the Annual General Meeting 2025.

The Chairman puts agenda items 4.3.1 to 4.3.4 to vote.

# 4.3.1 Re-election of Dr. Ilias Läber as a member of the Nomination, Compensation & **Governance Committee**

The Annual General Meeting re-elects Dr. Ilias Läber by:

340'895'554 votes in favour (98.34 %) to 3'652'872 votes against (1.05 %) and 2'113'612 abstentions (0.61 %)

for a further term of office of one year as a member of the Nomination, Compensation & Governance Committee.

# 4.3.2 Re-election of Jürg Oleas as a member of the Nomination, Compensation & **Governance Committee**

The Annual General Meeting re-elects Jürg Oleas by:

341'357'494 votes in favour (98.47 %) to 3'505'248 votes against (1.01 %) and

1'799'296 abstentions (0.52 %)

for a further term of office of one year as a member of the Nomination, Compensation & Governance Committee.

# 4.3.3 Re-election of Claudia Sender Ramirez as a member of the Nomination, **Compensation & Governance Committee**

The Annual General Meeting re-elects Claudia Sender Ramirez by:

341'032'243 votes in favour (98.38 %) to 3'819'129 votes against (1.10 %) and

1'810'666 abstentions (0.52 %)

for a further term of office of one year as a member of the Nomination, Compensation & Governance Committee.

# 4.3.4 Re-election of Hanne Birgitte Breinbjerg Sørensen as a member of the **Nomination, Compensation & Governance Committee**

The Annual General Meeting re-elects Hanne Birgitte Breinbjerg Sørensen by:

337'674'675 votes in favour (97.41 %) to 7'257'448 votes against (2.09 %) and 1'729'915 abstentions (0.50 %)

for a further term of office of one year as a member of the Nomination, Compensation & Governance Committee.

#### **Item 4.4**

# Election of a new member of the Nomination, Compensation & Governance Committee

On behalf of the Board of Directors, the Chairman proposes Michael H. McGarry to be elected as a member of the Nomination, Compensation & Governance Committee for a term of office of one year, expiring after the completion of the Annual General Meeting 2025.

The Chairman puts agenda item 4.4.1 to the vote.

# 4.4.1 Election of Michael H. McGarry as a member of the Nomination, Compensation & **Governance Committee**

The Annual General Meeting elects Michael H. McGarry by:

342'111'093 votes in favour (98.69 %) to 3'919'461 votes against (1.13 %) and 628'655 abstentions (0.18 %)

for a term of office of one year as a member of the Nomination, Compensation & Governance Committee.

#### **Item 4.5**

Re-election of the auditor and re-election of the independent proxy

### 4.5.1 Re-election of the auditor

On behalf of the Board of Directors, the Chairman proposes that Ernst & Young AG, Zurich, be appointed as auditors for the financial year 2024.

The Chairman puts the agenda item to the vote.

The Annual General Meeting elects Ernst & Young AG, Zurich, as auditors for the financial year 2024 by:

345'473'131 votes in favour (99.65 %) to 731'439 votes against (0.21 %) and 472'489 abstentions (0.14 %)

The Chairman notes that Ernst & Young AG has agreed to be mandated as auditors for the 2024 financial year.

## 4.5.2 Re-election of the independent proxy

On behalf of the Board of Directors, the Chairman proposes that Dr. Sabine Burkhalter Kaimakliotis of Voser Attorneys at Law be re-elected as the independent proxy for a term of office of one year, expiring after the completion of the Annual General Meeting 2025.

The Chairman puts the agenda item to the vote.

The Annual General Meeting re-elects Dr. Sabine Burkhalter Kaimakliotis of Voser Attorney at Law as the independent proxy for a further term of office of one year by:

346'325'689 votes in favour (99.90 %) to 98'105 votes against (0.03 %) and

252'297 abstentions (0.07 %)

The Chairman notes that Dr. Sabine Burkhalter Kaimakliotis has previously declared acceptance of her possible re-election.

## Item 5

Compensation of the Board of Directors and of the Executive Management

# <u>Item 5.1</u>

Compensation of the Board of Directors for the next term of office

On behalf of the Board of Directors, the Chairman proposes approval of the total maximum amount of compensation for the members of the Board of Directors for the period from the Annual General Meeting 2024 to the Annual General Meeting 2025 of CHF 6,500,000. He gives brief explanations and refers to the relevant information in the brochure of the Board of Directors "Compensation votes", which has been made available to shareholders on the Holcim website.

The Chairman gives the shareholders the opportunity to comment on this agenda item.

Nobody asks to be given the floor. The Chairman puts the agenda item to the vote.

The proposal by the Board of Directors on the compensation of the members of the Board of Directors for the period from the Annual General Meeting 2024 to the Annual General Meeting 2025 is approved by the Annual General Meeting by:

320'886'261 votes in favour (92.56 %) to 24'621'101 votes against (7.10 %) and 1'168'369 abstentions (0.34 %)

### <u>Item 5.2</u>

Compensation of the Executive Management for the financial year 2025

On behalf of the Board of Directors, the Chairman proposes approval of the total maximum amount of compensation of the Executive Committee for the financial year 2025 of CHF 36,000,000. He gives brief explanations and refers to the relevant information in the brochure of the Board of Directors "Compensation votes", which has been made available to shareholders on the Holcim website.

The Chairman gives the shareholders the opportunity to comment on this agenda item.

Nobody asks to be given the floor. The Chairman puts the agenda item to the vote.

The proposal by the Board of Directors on the approval of the total maximum amount of compensation of the members of the Executive Committee for the financial year 2025 is approved by the Annual General Meeting by:

317'741'959	votes in favour (91.66 %) to
26'387'684	votes against (7.61 %) and
2'547'576	abstentions (0.73 %)

The Chairman declares the meeting closed at 10.45 hrs.

Zug, 8 May 2024	
Chairman of the Board of Directors:	Minute Keeper:
[sign]	[sign]
Jan Jenisch	Dragana Simijonovic