

Report by the Supervisory Board for the Financial Year 2018

Supervision and Advice by Means of Regular Exchanges with the Management Board

The Supervisory Board performed in the reporting year the tasks with great care that are incumbent on by law and by the company's articles of association and rules of procedure. It advised the Management Board on the running of the company, monitoring its activities regularly and ensuring that everything was legal, orderly and fit for purpose. The Management Board fulfilled its obligation to inform the Supervisory Board and kept it informed regularly, comprehensively and in a timely manner in reports both written and oral on events and measures of relevance for the company. The reports included all relevant information regarding the strategy development, planning, sub-annual business developments, risks as well as compliance subjects. Furthermore, besides the Supervisory Board Chairman, also individual members of the Supervisory Board maintained a close and regular exchange of information between scheduled meetings with members of the Management Board. In this way the Supervisory Board was kept informed comprehensively and in a timely manner about the proposed business policy, corporate planning including financial, investment and personnel planning, the company's profitability, risk management and the course of business, along with the position of the group and matters of strategic corporate development. The Management Board also agreed the company's strategic alignment with the Supervisory Board. Important insights as well as deviations of the course of business from the plans as agreed were presented, explained and discussed latest on the following Supervisory Board meeting. The Supervisory Board discussed with the Management Board material business transactions and, especially, the group's further development. The Supervisory Board was involved in all decisions of fundamental importance for the company.

Members of the Supervisory Board checked proposed resolutions thoroughly and approved them at meetings or on the basis of written and oral information insofar as Supervisory Board approval of management decisions or measures was required by law, the articles of association or the company's rules of procedure. In 2018 the Supervisory Board held four regular meetings in which all members of the Supervisory Board participated. They took place on March 27, June 22, November 12, and December 21. In addition, a total of six conference calls were held on February 23, April 30, May 11, May 28, June 11, and August 13. During one call one member excused his absence.

Focal Points of Supervisory Board Deliberations

There were no committees in the financial year 2018 with the result that the Supervisory Board held discussions in its entirety. Next to the legally required reports, the following focal points were discussed intensively and examined:

- Annual and consolidated financial statements as of December 31, 2017
- Focus on established markets in course of the distribution of LOQTEQ® products and in particular further market development in North America
- Activities around the aimed CE and FDA approval for the silver coating technology with a focus on the preparation of the human clinical study
- Development activities with respect to the completion of the LOQTEQ® portfolio
- Evaluation of strategic options to create more value including, among other things, co-development partnerships, distribution and license agreements as well as joint venture agreements to corporate transactions (e.g. merger, share or asset deal as well as carve out)
- Activities with global partners
- Further measures to optimize operational efficiency to be implemented in financial year 2019
- Development of the working capital management
- EU Medical Device Regulation (MDR) and implications for *aap*
- Monitoring of the implementation of the company-wide quality improvement program Quality First and the transfer program Fit 4 MDR to ensure an entire and efficient transition to the requirements of the EU Medical Device Regulation (MDR)

- Discussion of legal disputes and illustration of legal risks in financial reporting
- Evaluation of measures to strengthen the financial base
- Merger of already existing compliance instruments with supplementary modules to a company-wide compliance management system (Code of Conduct and electronically protected whistleblower system as substantial elements)
- Corporate Governance Code
- Management Agenda and budget 2019

Sales, earnings and employment development at *aap* Implantate AG were the subject of regular deliberations, as was the financial position, the strategic perspectives, the further development of the group as well as the investment planning. The Management Board briefed the Supervisory Board regularly and comprehensively on corporate planning, the course of business and the group's current position.

The Supervisory Board dealt in detail with the economic situation, with the operational and strategic development and with the group's further development.

Corporate Governance

During the financial year the Supervisory Board continuously maintained a watching brief on the implementation of the provisions of the German Corporate Governance Code and the development of Corporate Governance Standards. In January 2019 the Management Board and Supervisory Board issued an updated declaration of conformity according to Article 161 AktG and made it permanently available to shareholders on the company's website. Information about corporate governance in the company and a detailed report on the amount and structure of Supervisory Board and Management Board remuneration can be found in the Corporate Governance Statement pursuant to Art. 289f and 315d of the German Commercial Code (HGB) respectively in the Remuneration Report of the Consolidated Financial Statements 2018. Both documents are available on the corporate website of the company as well.

Annual and Consolidated Financial Statements, Audit

Mazars GmbH & Co. KG Wirtschaftsprüfungsgesellschaft Steuerberatungsgesellschaft, Hamburg, appointed at the annual general meeting held on June 22, 2018, to be the external auditor for the financial statements 2018, audited the annual financial statements and the combined management report for the annual financial statements and the consolidated financial statements as well as the consolidated financial statements of *aap* Implantate AG to December 31, 2018 and issued an unqualified audit statement. The consolidated financial statements were prepared in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS). The auditor has confirmed that the consolidated financial statements and the combined management report comply with IFRS as applicable in the European Union and with the additional commercial law provisions of Article 315 a (1) of the German Commercial Code (Handelsgesetzbuch/HGB). The key audit matters included the assessment of the going concern assumption, the valuation of development costs, sales realisation and revenue accrual as well as the valuation of inventory. Furthermore, the valuation of trade receivables was a further focal point of the audit. The Supervisory Board was supplied with the annual financial statements and the combined management report for the annual financial statements and the consolidated financial statements as well as the consolidated financial statements and the auditor's reports. The financial statement documents and the audit reports were discussed in detail at the accounts meeting on April 29, 2019. In this meeting, the Management Board explained the financial statements for *aap* Implantate AG as well as the group. The auditor who signed the auditor's report attended the Supervisory Board's and Management Board's discussion on the reports, outlined the principal audit findings and was available to answer questions.

After checking and discussing the annual financial statements and the consolidated financial statements as well as the combined management report for the annual financial statements and the consolidated financial statements the Supervisory Board approved the audit findings and signed off the annual financial statements and consolidated financial statements to December 31, 2018 prepared by the Management Board. The annual financial statements were thereby approved.

Statements Pursuant to Articles 289 (4) and 315 (4) HGB

The Supervisory Board discussed the statements and the report on the statements in the combined management report for the annual financial statements and the consolidated financial statements in accordance with Articles 289 (4) and 315 (4) HGB. It checked and approved the explanations given in the combined management report for the annual financial statements and the consolidated financial statements.

In the name of the Supervisory Board, I would like to thank the members of the Management Board and all of the employees for their personal commitment and the constructive cooperation in the eventful past months of our company.

The Supervisory Board



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Chairman