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### **Lenzing Management Board Proposes Higher Special Dividend**

- Dividend of EUR 3.00 per share is planned to remain constant
- Special dividend should be raised to EUR 2.00 per share

Lenzing – The Management Board of Lenzing AG, the leading manufacturer of cellulose fibers from wood, has resolved to propose distribution of an unchanged basic and higher special dividend for 2017 financial year on the basis of its preliminary business results which have not yet been subject to a final audit. The dividend of EUR 3.00 per share is planned to remain constant, whereas the special dividend should be increased from EUR 1.20 to EUR 2.00 per share due to Lenzing's very good performance in the 2017 financial year.

The rise in the special dividend reflects the positive development of all key economic performance indicators of the company. The final indicators and the outlook of Lenzing AG for the current financial year will be announced on March 14, 2018.

Accordingly, the total dividend payment to shareholders would amount to about EUR 133 mn, subject to the consent granted by the Supervisory Board at its meeting scheduled for March 8, 2018 and pending approval by shareholders at the Annual General Meeting to be held on April 12, 2018.

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### The Lenzing Group

The Lenzing Group is a world market leader headquartered in Austria, which operates production sites in all major markets as well as a worldwide network of sales and marketing offices. Lenzing supplies the global textile and nonwovens industry with high-quality, botanic cellulose fibers. Its portfolio ranges from dissolving wood pulp to standard and specialty cellulose fibers.

Lenzing's quality and innovative strength set global standards for cellulose fibers. With 80 years of experience in fiber production, the Lenzing Group is the only company in the world which is able to produce significant volumes of all three cellulose fiber generations – from classic viscose fibers to modal fibers and lyocell fibers. In 2016 Lenzing introduced the REFIBRA<sup>TM</sup> technology, an innovation based on recycled cotton scraps.

The Lenzing Group's success is based on consistent customer orientation combined with innovation, technology and quality leadership. Lenzing is committed to the principles of sustainable management with very high environmental standards and can underscore this commitment with numerous international sustainability certifications for its business processes as the most sustainable company in the sector. In addition to fibers, which form the core business, the Lenzing Group is also active to a lesser extent in the fields of engineering and plant construction.

### **Key Facts & Figures Lenzing Group 2016**

Revenue: EUR 2.13 bn

Fiber sales volumes: 978,000 tons

Employees: 6,218

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