

## **MEDIA RELEASE**

**Annual General Meeting of 20 April 2012**

### **Starrag Group shareholders approved all proposals**

- **Approval of Annual Report 2011**
- **Withholding tax free Dividend of CHF 1.20**
- **New company name Starrag Group Holding AG**
- **Authorized capital renewed**

**At today's annual general meeting, the shareholders of StarragHeckert Holding AG approved all proposals of the Board of Directors. The shareholders approved a profit distribution of CHF 1.20 per registered share, the change of the corporate name into Starrag Group Holding AG, as well as the renewal of the authorized capital.**

In total, 107 shareholders were present and 83.1 % of the share capital was represented at the Annual General Meeting.

In his address to the Assembly, Walter Fust, President of the Board of Directors, pointed out that the Starrag Group increased its competitiveness considerably through the acquisition and subsequent integration of Dörries Scharmann in 2011. This thanks to its enhanced position in the target markets, a high innovation pace and a solid financial structure.

The annual general meeting approved the annual report 2011, including the consolidated financial statements and the financial statements. With Ex-dividend date 24 April 2012, a dividend of CHF 1.20 per registered share (increased by 20 %) will be paid as a withholding tax-free distribution from capital contributions.

In addition, the shareholders approved the proposed change of the corporate name into Starrag Group Holding AG to implement the new branding concept which was

announced earlier. The shareholders also approved the renewal of the authorized capital in the amount of CHF 5.7 million for another two years and discharged the Board of Directors for their activities in fiscal year 2011.

**Company profile StarragHeckert:**

Starrag Group is a global technology leader in manufacturing high-precision machining tool for milling turning, boring and grinding of mid-sized to large workpieces of metallic and composite materials. Principal customers are internationally active companies in the aerospace, energy, transport and industrial engineering sectors. In addition to its portfolio of machine tools, Starrag Group provides integrated technology and maintenance services that significantly enhance customer productivity.

Starrag Group products are marketed under the following strategic brands: Berthiez, Dörries, Droop+Rein, Heckert, Scharmman, SIP, Starrag, TTL, WMW. Headquartered in Rorschach/Switzerland, the Starrag Group operates manufacturing plants in Switzerland, Germany, France, the UK and India and has established a network of sales and services subsidiaries in numerous other countries.

Starrag Group is listed on the SIX Swiss Exchange (STGN).

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StarragHeckert Holding AG

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### **Forthcoming events**

- Ex date Dividend payout 24 April 2012
  - Record date Dividend payout 26 April 2012
  - Payment date Dividend payout 27 April 2012
  - Interim information first quarter 2012 4 May 2012
  - Half-year report 2012 27 July 2012
  - Interim information third quarter 2012 2 November 2012
  - Preliminary information on annual results 25 January 2013
  - Key figures 2012 / Annual report 8 March 2013
  - Media and analysts conference in Zurich 8 March 2013
  - Annual general meeting 12 April 2013
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