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## **Nomination Committee's proposal for Board of Directors in Clas Ohlson**

Before the Clas Ohlson AB Annual General Meeting on Saturday 12 September 2015, the Clas Ohlson Nomination Committee today announces its proposal for the Board of Directors' composition. The Board of Directors shall consist of eight members.

The Nomination Committee proposes re-election of the Board members Klas Balkow, Kenneth Bengtsson, Sanna Suvanto-Harsaae, Cecilia Marlow, Katarina Sjögren Petrini and Göran Sundström. The Nomination Committee proposes that Göran Näsholm and Mathias Haid be elected as new Board members. The Nomination Committee proposes that Kenneth Bengtsson be re-elected Chairman of the Board of Directors.

Björn Haid has explained that, after 25 years as a Member of the Board, he will not be standing for re-election. Edgar Rosenberger has announced that after six years as a Member of the Board, he will not be standing for re-election.

Göran Näsholm, born 1955, is the CEO of Ahlsell AB since 1999. Göran Näsholm has previously been the vice President of Ahlsell AB, been division manager within Ahlsell AB, been the managing director of Jirva AB, purchasing director of Calor Celsius AB and had a number of purchasing positions within the Alfa Laval Group.

Mathias Haid, born 1970, is captain with Lufthansa and has had a number of leading positions within Lufthansa 1998-2015. Mathias Haid was a Member of the Board of Clas Ohlson AS and Clas Ohlson Oy 2002-2005.

The Nomination Committee consists of:

- Kenneth Bengtsson, Chairman of the Board of Clas Ohlson AB
- Jonas Bergh (chairman of the Nomination Committee), representative of the Haid family
- Göran Sundström, representative of the Tidstrand family
- Erik Durhan, Nordea Investment Funds

Ricard Wennerklint, If Skadeförsäkring AB, resigned from the Nomination Committee on 2 July 2015, and will not be replaced due to the short time remaining until the AGM.

The Nomination Committee's work complies with the requirements as set forth in the Swedish Corporate Governance Code.

For more information of respective Board member, please see <http://om.clasohlson.com>

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