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OUTOKUMPU - LAUNCH OF A NEW MATCHING SHARE PLAN FOR MANAGEMENT

As part of the long-term incentive programs for key employees in Outokumpu, the Board of Directors has approved the commencement of a Matching Share Plan for years 2016-2020 in order to emphasize shareholder value creation, enforce an ownership culture and to incentivize the achievement of the 2020 vision.

According to the plan, the participants will invest 30–120% of their annual gross base salary into Outokumpu shares by September 30, 2016. The participants shall acquire the shares from the market and follow the applicable insider regulations when acquiring the shares. Outokumpu will match each share acquired by the employee with two gross shares from which applicable taxes will be deducted and the remaining net number of shares will be delivered to the participant. The matching shares will be delivered in four equal installments in the end of 2017, 2018, 2019 and 2020, respectively. In order to receive the matching shares, the participants are required to keep all the shares they acquire until the vesting of the each matching share tranche. The Board of Directors has approved that at the maximum 35 key employees, may participate in the plan. This excludes the CEO whose matching share plan details were announced on December 17, 2015. The maximum number of gross matching shares is 3,000,000 including taxes.

According to the share ownership requirement applied in Outokumpu, the members of the Outokumpu Leadership Team are required to own Outokumpu shares received under incentive programs corresponding to the value of their annual gross base salary. The net shares received from the Matching Share Plan must be used to fulfil this requirement.

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