

## Project of simplified tender offer for the shares of IGE+XAO

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**Schneider Electric SE** (compartment A, ISIN code FR0000121972) announces its intention to launch a simplified cash tender offer (the “Offer”) via its subsidiary Schneider Electric Industries SAS (SEISAS), majority shareholder holding approximately 67.7% of the share capital and 78.3% of the voting rights<sup>1</sup> of **IGE+XAO** (compartment B, ISIN code FR0000030827) for the IGE+XAO shares it does not directly or indirectly own, representing approximately 31.9% of the share capital of IGE+XAO<sup>2</sup>, at a price of 260 euros per share. The proposed price represents notably a 15% premium over the latest closing price of IGE+XAO, and a 17.4% premium to the volume weighted average price over the last 60 days.

After three years as majority shareholder of IGE+XAO, Schneider Electric has decided to position the company as an operational entity within its Energy Management Software Division. In this context, IGE+XAO is no longer intended to remain a listed company. This transition will simplify the governance and will also facilitate the alignment of IGE+XAO operations with Schneider Electric norms and standards. It will take place in perfect continuity with the commitment of IGE+XAO towards its customers and partners. In particular, IGE+XAO will continue to serve them as an independent software publisher and such software suites will remain completely agnostic<sup>3</sup> towards manufacturers of electrical equipment.

IGE+XAO board of directors has set up an ad hoc committee composed of:

- Mrs. Anne Varon (president of the committee and independent board member),
- Mrs. Claire Greco (independent board member), and
- Mr. Alain di Crescenzo (Chairman and CEO IGE+XAO).

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<sup>1</sup> On the basis of a total number of 1,304,381 shares representing 2,256,580 theoretical voting rights as of June 30<sup>th</sup>, 2021. In accordance with article 223-11 of the AMF General Regulation, the total number of theoretical voting rights is calculated on the basis of all the shares composing the share capital, including the shares deprived of voting rights.

<sup>2</sup> IGE+XAO holds, as of June 30<sup>th</sup>, 2021, 4,434 treasury shares.

<sup>3</sup> An agnostic software is a software that is compatible with, and can manage any type of, electrical equipment independently of their manufacturer.

Upon proposal of the ad hoc committee, the board of directors decided on July 19th 2021 to appoint Didier Kling Expertise & Conseil represented by Mr. Didier Kling and Mr. Teddy Guerineau<sup>4</sup> as independent expert in order to issue a report on the financial terms of the Offer in accordance with articles 261-1 I 1° and II of the *AMF General Regulation (Autorité des Marchés Financiers)*. Upon recommendation of the ad hoc committee, the IGE+XAO board of directors welcomes the proposed Offer.

The Offer will not be subject to any regulatory approval or other condition.

The filing of the Offer by SEISAS should occur in September 2021. The filing of the draft note in response shall then<sup>5</sup> be made by IGE+XAO and shall include the reasoned opinion of the board of directors and the report of the independent expert. The Offer should take place in October 2021 subject to the AMF clearance decision.

In the event that, following the Offer, SEISAS holds at least 90% of the share capital and the voting rights of IGE+XAO, SEISAS intends to implement a squeeze-out procedure for all the shares it does not own. The squeeze-out would be subject to the payment of an indemnity equal to the Offer price.

BNP Paribas and Exane BNP Paribas have been mandated for the implementation of the Offer.

This proposed Offer remains subject to the review and clearance decision of the *AMF*.

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5 In accordance with article 231-26 I 3° of the *AMF General Regulation*, the filing of the draft note in response shall occur at least 15 trading days following the filing of the draft offer document.

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