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Safran launches a tap issue of OCEANEs for a nominal amount of approximately €200 million to be fully fungible with the approximately €800 million OCEANEs issued in May 2020 due 15 May 2027

Paris, 6th October 2020

Safran (the "**Company**") announces today the launch of a tap issue of bonds convertible into new shares and/or exchangeable for existing shares of the Company (OCEANEs) due 15 May 2027 (the "**New Bonds**") of a nominal amount of approximately €200 million to qualified investors only within the meaning of the Prospectus Regulation (the "**Offering**").

The net proceeds of the Offering will be used for general corporate purposes.

The New Bonds are to be issued on the same terms (save for the issue price) as the approximately €800 million bonds convertible into new shares and/or exchangeable for existing shares of the Company (OCEANEs) issued by Safran on 15th May 2020 (the "**Existing Bonds**") and, as soon as the settlement date of the New Bonds, shall be fully fungible with the Existing Bonds and will form a single series with the Existing Bonds (together, the "**Bonds**").

The price at which the New Bonds will be offered will be determined following an accelerated bookbuilding.

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The final price is expected to be determined today on 6th October 2020.

The settlement, delivery date and admission to trading on Euronext Access™ (the non-regulated open market of Euronext Paris) of the New Bonds is expected to take place on 12th October 2020 (the **"Issue Date"**).

This Offering is managed by BNP Paribas and Crédit Agricole Corporate and Investment Bank acting as joint global coordinators and joint bookrunners (the **"Joint Global Coordinators"**).

BNP Paribas will be in charge of the settlement of the Offering, BNP Paribas Securities Services will be the Centralising Agent (as defined in the terms and conditions of the Bonds) and Aether Financial Services will be the Calculation Agent (as defined in the terms and conditions of the Bonds).

Intention of the French State

The French State, who currently holds 11.23% of the Company's share capital, has informed the Company of its intention to place a subscription order in the Offering in the same proportion as its shareholding in the Company.

Conversion Right

Bondholders may exercise their conversion right (the **"Conversion Right"**) at any time from the Issue Date until the 7th trading day (excluded) preceding the maturity date or the early redemption date.

The conversion ratio is set at one share per Bond subject to subsequent adjustments (as set out in the terms and conditions of the Bonds).

Upon exercise of their Conversion Right, bondholders will receive at the option of the Company new and/or existing shares of the Company. The new and/or existing shares then delivered shall carry current dividend rights.

Lock-up

In the context of the Offering, the Company will agree to a lock-up undertaking of 30 calendar days as of the Issue Date, subject to certain customary exceptions or waiver by the Joint Global Coordinators.

Legal Framework of the Offering

The New Bonds will be offered to qualified investors only within the meaning of Article 2(e) of the Prospectus Regulation and as per the 19th resolution approved by the Company's extraordinary general meeting held on 23 May 2019, in France, in the European Economic Area (EEA) and outside the EEA (excluding in particular the United States of America, South Africa, Canada, Australia or Japan and any other jurisdiction where a registration process or an approval would be required by applicable laws and regulations).

Available Information

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The Offering and the admission to trading on Euronext Access™ is not subject to a prospectus approved by the French Financial Market Authority (*Autorité des marchés financiers*) (the "**AMF**"). No key information document the PRIIPs Regulation has been and will be prepared.

Detailed information on the Company, including its business, results and risk factors it faces are described in the Company's universal registration document filed with the AMF on 31 March 2020 under number D. 20-0224, its half-year financial report as of 30 June 2020, the detailed slideshow dated 30 July 2020 presented on the occasion of its half-year earnings publication, press releases and regulated information about the Company, the whole being available on the Company's website (<http://www.safran-group.com>).

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Important Information

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No communication or information relating to the Offering may be transmitted to the public in a country where there is a registration obligation or where an approval is required. No action has been or will be taken in any country in which such registration or approval would be required. The issuance or the subscription of the New Bonds may be subject to legal and regulatory restrictions in certain jurisdictions; none of Safran and the Joint Global Coordinators assumes any liability in connection with the breach by any person of such restrictions.

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Prohibition of sales to European Economic Area and United Kingdom retail investors

No action has been undertaken or will be undertaken to make available any New Bonds to any retail investor in the European Economic Area and in the United Kingdom. For the purposes of this provision:

- (a) the expression "**retail investor**" means a person who is one (or more) of the following:

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- (i) a retail client as defined in point (11) of Article 4(1) of Directive 2014/65/EU (as amended, "**MiFID II**"); or
 - (ii) a customer within the meaning of Directive (EU) 2016/97 on insurance distribution (recast) as amended, where that customer would not qualify as a professional client as defined in point (10) of Article 4(1) of MiFID II; or
 - (iii) not a qualified investor as defined in the Prospectus Regulation.
- (b) the expression "**offer**" includes the communication in any form and by any means of sufficient information on the terms of the offer and the New Bonds to be offered so as to enable an investor to decide to purchase or subscribe the New Bonds.

Consequently, no key information document required by the PRIIPs Regulation for offering or selling the New Bonds or otherwise making them available to retail investors in the EEA or in the United Kingdom has been prepared and therefore offering or selling the New Bonds or otherwise making them available to any retail investor in the EEA or in the United Kingdom may be unlawful under the PRIIPs Regulation.

France

The New Bonds have only been and will only be offered or sold or caused to be offered or sold, directly or indirectly, in France to qualified investors within the meaning of Article 2(e) of the Prospectus Regulation. Any distribution of any offering material relating to the New Bonds have been and will be made in France only to qualified investors within the meaning of Article 2(e) of the Prospectus Regulation.

United Kingdom

This press release is addressed and directed only (i) to persons located outside the United Kingdom, (ii) to investment professionals as defined in Article 19(5) of the Financial Services and Markets Act 2000 (Financial Promotion) Order 2005 (the "**Order**"), (iii) high net worth entities falling within Article 49(2) (a) to (d) of the Order or (iv) to any other person to whom this press release could be addressed pursuant to applicable law (the persons mentioned in paragraphs (i), (ii), (iii) and (iv) all deemed relevant persons ("**Relevant Persons**"). The New Bonds and the new shares or the existing shares of the Company to be delivered upon exercise of the Conversion Right are intended only for Relevant Persons and any invitation, offer of contract related to the subscription, tender, or acquisition of the New Bonds may be addressed and/or concluded only with Relevant Persons. All persons other than Relevant Persons must abstain from using or relying on this document and all information contained therein.

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Australia, Canada, South Africa and Japan

The New Bonds and the new shares or the existing shares of the Company to be delivered upon exercise of the Conversion Right may not and will not be offered, sold or purchased in Australia, Canada, South Africa or Japan. The information contained in this press release does not constitute an offer of securities for sale in Australia, Canada, South Africa or Japan.

The distribution of this press release in certain countries may constitute a breach of applicable law. The Joint Global Coordinators are acting exclusively on behalf of Safran and no-one else in connection with the Offering. They will not regard any other person as their respective client in relation to the Offering and will not be responsible to anyone other than Safran for providing the same protections as to any of their clients or to provide advice in connection with the offering, the New Bonds, the contents of this press release or any other transaction, arrangement or other matter described in this press release.

In connection with the Offering, the Joint Global Coordinators and any of their respective affiliates, may take up a portion of the New Bonds as a principal position and in that capacity may subscribe for, acquire, retain, purchase, sell, offer, offer to sell or negotiate for their own account such New Bonds and other securities of Safran or related investments in connection with the Offering, the New Bonds, Safran or otherwise.

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MIFID II PRODUCT GOVERNANCE / RETAIL INVESTORS, PROFESSIONAL INVESTORS AND ELIGIBLE COUNTERPARTIES ONLY_TARGET MARKET – Solely for the purposes of each manufacturer's product approval process in respect of the New Bonds, the target market assessment in respect of the New Bonds, taking into account the five (5) categories referred to in item 18 of the Guidelines published by the European Securities and Market Authority (ESMA) on 5 February 2018, the target market assessment in respect of the New Bonds has led to the conclusion that: (i) the target market for the New Bonds is retail investors, eligible counterparties and professional clients, each as defined in MiFID II; and (ii) all channels for distribution of the New Bonds to retail investors, eligible counterparties and professional clients are appropriate. Any person subsequently offering, selling or recommending the New Bonds (a "distributor") should take into consideration the manufacturers' target market assessment. However, a distributor subject to MiFID II is responsible for undertaking its own target market assessment in respect of the New Bonds (by either adopting or refining the manufacturers' target market assessment) and determining appropriate distribution channels. For the avoidance of doubt, even if the target market includes retail investors, the manufacturers have decided that the New Bonds will be offered, as part of the initial offering, only to eligible counterparties and professional clients.

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Safran is an international high-technology group, operating in the aviation (propulsion, equipment and interiors), defense and space markets. Its core purpose is to contribute to a safer, more sustainable world, where air transport is more environmentally friendly, comfortable and accessible. Safran has a global presence, with 84,000 employees and holds, alone or in partnership, world or European leadership positions in its core markets. Safran undertakes research and development programs to maintain the environmental priorities of its R&T and Innovation roadmap.

Safran is listed on the Euronext Paris stock exchange and is part of the CAC 40 and Euro Stoxx 50 indices.

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