# Statement pursuant to § 87 II of the Austrian Stock Corporations Act

In accordance with the requirements of § 87 II of the Austrian Stock Corporations Act, every person nominated for election to the Supervisory Board must set forth to the General Meeting his/her professional qualifications and job-related or comparable functions, as well as any circumstances that might cause concern of bias or prejudice.

My professional qualifications and my job-related and other significant functions at the time of the election are listed in the annexed CV.

I also represent that there is no obstacle to appointment in the sense of § 86 II lit. 1 of the Austrian Stock Corporations Act (exceedance of the legally permissible maximum number of supervisory board memberships).

From my point of view, the activities described in my CV are no reasons for objective concern for bias or prejudice in the conduct of the office of a member of the Supervisory Board. I will endeavour to fulfil the mandate as a member of the Supervisory Board of AGRANA Beteiligungs-AG with the necessary objectivity and to the best interests of the company. I will disclose any conflicts of interest to the Supervisory Board.

Baumgarten, in June 2012

Dipl.-Ing. Ernst Karpfinger

### CV

# President Ernst Karpfinger Dipl.-Ing.

Born on 3 January 1968 in Vienna, Austria



#### Marital status:

married, one son and one daughter

#### **Education**

1987: Finished high school (HBLA Francisco Josephinum) in Wieselburg

1994: Graduated with a degree in Agricultural Economics / University of

Natural Resources and Applied Life Sciences Vienna

Subsequently worked for the Austrian Farmer's Federation, the Agricultural

Market Austria (AMA) and the Austrian Raiffeisen Association (ÖRV).

1996: Took over an agricultural farm in Baumgarten an der March. Since then

worked as a self-employed farmer

## **Roles**

- Since 31 May 2001 Board Member of the Sugar Beet Growers Association for Lower Austria/Vienna
- Member of the Supervisory Board at the Marchfeld Volksbank
- Since 23 May 2005 Chairman of the Sugar Beet Growers Association for Lower Austria/Vienna
- Since 30 May 2005 Managing Director of *VÖR Rübenbauern Vertretungs- und Übernahmegesellschaft m.b.H.*
- Since 30 June 2005 Managing Director of *Rübenproduzenten Beteiligungsgesellschaft* m.b.H.
- Since August 2005 President of "*DIE RÜBENBAUERN*" the Association of Austrian Sugar Beet Growing Organisations
- Since November 2005 Chairman of the ÖZVG *Österreichischen Zuckerrübenverwertungsgenossenschaft mbH*
- Since 2006 Member of the Advisory Board of *Österreichischen Hagelversicherung*
- Since 24 May 2007 Member of the Executive Board of CIBE

# **Supervisory Board positions**

Member of the Supervisory Board of AGRANA Beteiligungs-AG

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Member of the Supervisory Board of *AGRANA Zucker, Stärke und Frucht Holding AG* Member of the Supervisory Board of *Z&S Zucker and Stärke Holding AG* 

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