

# Information on the organisational and technical requirements for participation in the 34<sup>th</sup> Annual General Meeting

on Tuesday, June 29, 2021, at 11:00 o'clock as a Virtual Annual General Meeting

The convention of the 34<sup>th</sup> Annual General Meeting of AGRANA Beteiligungs-Aktiengesell-schaft on Tuesday, **June 29, 2021**, at **11:00 o'clock** was announced on **May 28, 2021**.

## Holding of the Meeting as a Virtual Annual General Meeting

For the protection of shareholders and other participants, the Management Board has decided to make use of the statutory provision for a Virtual Annual General Meeting.

The 34<sup>th</sup> Annual General Meeting of AGRANA Beteiligungs-Aktiengesellschaft on **June 29**, **2021** will be held as a Virtual Annual General Meeting in accordance with the COVID-19-GesG as most recently amended and the COVID-19-GesV based thereon as most recently amended.

This means that at the 34<sup>th</sup> Annual General Meeting of AGRANA Beteiligungs-Aktiengesell-schaft on **June 29, 2021**, shareholders and their representatives (with the exception of the special voting proxies) cannot be physically present, so as not to endanger the health of the participants.

The Virtual Annual General Meeting will be explicitly held in the physical presence of the Chairperson of the Supervisory Board, the Chairperson of the Management Board and the other members of the Management Board, the certifying notary public, and the four special voting proxies appointed by the Company, at Friedrich-Wilhelm-Raiffeisen-Platz 1, A-1020 Vienna.

The Management Board believes that by holding the Annual General Meeting as a virtual meeting both the interests of the Company and the interests of the shareholders have been optimally taken into account.

We expressly point out that it is **not possible for shareholders to come to the venue of the Annual General Meeting in person**.

#### **Broadcasting of the Annual General Meeting on the internet**

The Virtual Annual General Meeting will be broadcast in its entirety on the internet, so that all shareholders of the Company will be able to follow it on the internet at www.agrana.com/en/ir/general-meeting from 11:00 o'clock, Vienna time, on June 29, 2021.

The broadcasting of the Virtual Annual General Meeting on the internet enables all shareholders to follow the course of the Annual General Meeting and in particular the presentation of the Management Board, the answering of shareholders' questions and the voting procedure in real time through this unidirectional acoustic and optical connection. No registration or login is required.

The necessary **technical equipment** on the part of the shareholders includes a sufficiently fast internet connection and a device with an HTML5-enabled internet browser with activated JavaScript, which is capable of playing back audio-visual content (e.g. computer, laptop, tablet, smartphone, etc.).

### Exercise of voting rights, motions and objections only by special voting proxies

Pursuant to § 3 (4) of the COVID-19-GesV, making of motions, voting and raising of objections at this Virtual Annual General Meeting of AGRANA Beteiligungs-Aktiengesellschaft on **June 29, 2021** may be done only via one of the special voting proxies listed below, who are independent of the Company, and whose costs will be borne by the Company.

Every shareholder who is entitled to participation in the Annual General Meeting and has provided evidence thereof to the Company in accordance with the stipulations in the Convention (see Item IV of the Convention) is entitled to appoint **one of the voting proxies listed below to exercise their voting, proposal and objection rights**.

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In the interest of smooth handling, we request that you always use the **form for granting power of attorney** (proxy form sheet) provided on the Company's **website** at **www.agrana.com/en/ir/general-meeting**, as well as the form for revoking the power of attorney

For the purpose of verifying your identity as a shareholder, we request that you indicate in the designated field of the form for granting power of attorney the email address that you will use for sending instructions, motions or objections to the voting proxy, or for contributions and questions to the Company.

Powers of attorney should be received, in your interest, no later than June 25, 2021, 16:00 o'clock, Vienna time, using any of the communication methods below:

Powers of attorney for the special voting proxies can be **sent by email to the above address of the person you have elected.** This method of transmission gives the voting proxy you have elected immediate access to the power of attorney.

In addition, the following communication channels and addresses are available for the purpose of sending the powers of attorney:

By post or courier AGRANA Beteiligungs-Aktiengesellschaft

% HV-Veranstaltungsservice GmbH

A-8242 St. Lorenzen/Wechsel, Köppel 60

**By fax:** +43 1 8900 500 - 58

Also possible from credit institutions **via SWIFT** in accordance with § 114 (1) 4 of the Austrian Stock Corporation Act:

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(Message Type MT598 or MT599; specify ISIN AT000AGRANA3

in the text)

Personal presentation of the power of attorney at the place of the meeting is expressly excluded.

When authorizing a person to act as your proxy, it should be noted that an effective chain of authority (sub-proxy) must be in place to ensure that one of the four special voting proxies is ultimately authorized to exercise your voting right, the right to make motions and the right to object at the Annual General Meeting. Authorization of a person other than one of the four above-named special voting proxies to exercise these rights at the Annual General Meeting is not permitted within the meaning of § 3 (4) COVID-19-GesV. It is permissible, however, to authorize other persons to exercise other rights, in particular the right to information and the right to speak.

The above rules on granting of power of attorney also apply mutatis mutandis to the revocation of the same. If the power of attorney is revoked after **June 25, 2021, 16:00 o'clock**, **Vienna time**, we recommend that the revocation be sent by email to the voting proxy concerned or by fax, as otherwise timely receipt is not guaranteed.

#### **Instructions to the special voting proxies**

The special voting proxies will exercise the voting right, the right to make motions and the right to object only in accordance with instructions. If there are no instructions on hand for a particular proposed resolution, the voting proxy will abstain from voting. The voting proxy will also abstain from voting on motions for resolutions on which unclear instructions have been issued (e.g. simultaneously AYE and NAY for the same motion).

Shareholders are requested to give their instructions to the elected voting proxy in the section of the proxy form sheet provided for this purpose, which will be available from **June 8, 2021** at the latest on the Company's website at **www.agrana.com/en/ir/general-meeting**. A form for issuing instructions is available together with the voting proxy form sheet on the Company's website at **www.agrana.com/en/ir/general-meeting**. Please send the instructions by **email** to the above address of the voting proxy you have elected. This method of transmission gives the voting proxy you have elected immediate access to the instruction.

The instructions may be issued together with the granting of power of attorney, or at a later date. Instructions on the exercise of voting rights, the right to make motions and the right to object may be issued before or during the Annual General Meeting up to the time determined in each case by the Chairperson. Up to the relevant time, shareholders have the opportunity to amend instructions already issued, or to issue new instructions.

Since, in view of the possible large number of simultaneous contact attempts, it is not possible to guarantee that the **proxies can be reached** by telephone **during the Annual General Meeting**, the **only** means of communication to be used is **email** to the email address of your voting proxy specified above.

In each email, the person of the shareholder (name/company, date of birth/company register number of the shareholder) must be named and the conclusion of the statement made recognizable by reproducing the signature of the name or otherwise, e.g. by stating the name/company (§ 13 (2) of the Austrian Stock Corporation Act). In order to enable the voting proxy to determine the identity and correspondence with the deposit confirmation, we ask that you also indicate your depository number in the email in this case.

Please note that it may be necessary to interrupt the Virtual Annual General Meeting for a short time so that shareholders' instructions to voting proxies can be processed securely where these are received only during the General Meeting.

### Shareholders' contributions and right to information

Every shareholder has the right to receive, upon request, information on the affairs of the Company during the Annual General Meeting, insofar as such information is necessary for the proper assessment of an item on the agenda.

The right to information and the right to speak may be exercised exclusively by way of electronic mail by sending an email exclusively to the email address fragen.agrana@hauptversammlung.at set up specifically for this purpose, provided that the shareholders have submitted a deposit certificate within the meaning of § 10a of the Austrian Stock Corporation Act in good time and authorized a special voting proxy. Please use the question form sheet, which will be available on the Company's website at www.agrana.com/en/ir/general-meeting by June 8, 2021 at the latest, and annex the completed and signed form to the email.

If you send your questions or contributions without using the question form sheet, the person of the shareholder (name/company, date of birth/company register number of the shareholder) must be named and the conclusion of the statement made recognizable by reproducing the signature of the name or otherwise, e.g. by stating the name/company (§ 13 (2) of the Austrian Stock Corporation Act). In order to enable the Company to determine the identity and correspondence with the deposit confirmation, we ask that you also include your depository number in the email in this case.

In the event that the right to information and/or to speak is to be exercised by an authorized representative, proof of authorization in text form must also be provided. Please note that the special voting proxies cannot be authorized to exercise the right to information and/or to speak.

Shareholders are requested to submit all questions in text form by email to the address fragen.agrana@hauptversammlung.at in good time before the Annual General Meeting so that they are received by the Company no later than on June 24, 2021. This will enable the Management Board to prepare as accurately as possible and to answer the questions asked as quickly as possible. This serves to maintain the economy of the meeting in the interest of all participants who wish to follow the Annual General Meeting from the beginning to the performance of the voting.

Shareholders also have the opportunity during the Annual General Meeting to submit their questions and contributions to the Company electronically, namely in text form only, by email directly to the Company's email address fragen.agrana@hauptversammlung.at . Please note that time limits may be set for this by the Chairperson during the Annual General Meeting.

With this in mind, the Chairperson may, if necessary, order and expressly indicate that the written statements of the shareholders, if their reading is requested, may not exceed a certain length. If this length is exceeded, a corresponding reduction may be made by the Chairperson or by the Management Board member who reads out the shareholder's contribution at the Annual General Meeting, unless a reduction is made by the shareholder himself/herself.

As a matter of principle, it is planned to read out and answer the questions received from share-holders in accordance with § 118 of the Austrian Stock Corporation Act, taking into account the above.

#### Convention

Incidentally, reference is made to the provisions of the Convention of May 28, 2021, in particular the requirement to submit the deposit confirmation in good time in order to exercise shareholder rights at the Virtual Annual General Meeting on June 29, 2021.

The Management Board