

Press release

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Capital management measures to boost share appeal

Dr. Henri B. Meier, Chairman of the Board of Directors of HBM BioVentures Ltd, intends to announce the following measures to manage the Company's share capital to the Annual General Meeting today: "The Board of Directors has mandated the Management to prepare a program firstly to acquire up to CHF 100 million of the company's own shares with the aim of recommending their cancellation to the Annual General Meeting, secondly, to make an annual nominal value repayment to shareholders, corresponding to an annual bond yield. In addition, a focused communications campaign shall contribute to the clarification and the better understanding of the prospects for success of the HBM BioVentures portfolio. In this connection it is particularly important to time such measures correctly."

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Brief profile of HBM BioVentures Ltd

HBM BioVentures invests globally in the human medicine / biotechnology and medical technology sectors. As a venture capital company it manages a mature, widely diversified portfolio of private and emerging small-cap public companies. Investors value HBM BioVentures as an integral part of their healthcare portfolio, giving them access to this newly created investment segment with its high value creation potential. HBM BioVentures is an active, long-term investor in research and development which finances, accompanies and supports portfolio companies as a key partner. With net assets of approx. CHF 1 billion, HBM BioVentures is one of the most liquid investments in this sector. Lean structures ensure a competitive cost structure, while wide-ranging expertise, operating industrial experience, high professional standards and transparency distinguish the company. HBM BioVentures Ltd has a broad shareholder base and is listed on the SWX Swiss Exchange (Ticker: HBMN).

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