

# The complete proposed guidelines for senior executive remuneration of the Board of Directors of Hoist Finance AB (publ), reg. no. 556012-8489

These guidelines cover senior executives in Hoist Finance AB (publ) ("Hoist Finance" or the "Company"). The term senior executives shall in this context mean the CEO and the other members of the executive management team, and board members to the extent they receive remuneration for services performed outside of their Board duties. The guidelines are applicable to remuneration agreed, and amendments to remuneration already agreed, after the adoption of the guidelines by the Annual General Meeting 2023. The guidelines do not apply to any remuneration decided by the General Meeting.

# The guidelines' promotion of the Company's business strategy, long-term interests and sustainability

The remuneration in Hoist Finance shall encourage senior executives to promote the Company's business strategy, long-term interests and sustainability and a behaviour in line with the Company's ethical code of conduct and values. The remuneration shall also be structured to enable Hoist Finance to attract, retain and motivate employees who have the requisite skills. The remuneration shall encourage good performance, prudent behaviour and risk-taking aligned with customer and shareholder expectations. Hoist Finance's business strategy, long-term interests and sustainability work are described on the Company's webpage, www.hoistfinance.com.

## Types of remuneration

The remuneration shall be on market terms and may consist of the following components: fixed cash salary, variable cash remuneration, pension benefits and other benefits. Additionally, the General Meeting may, irrespective of these guidelines, resolve on, among other things, share-related or share price-related remuneration.

#### Fixed cash salary

Salaries shall be gender- and age-neutral and cannot be discriminatory. Hoist Finance views remuneration from a comprehensive perspective and, accordingly, takes all remuneration components into account. Remuneration is weighted in favour of fixed salary, which is based on the position's complexity and level of responsibility, prevailing market conditions and individual performance.

#### Variable cash remuneration

Variable cash remuneration for senior executives shall not exceed 100 per cent of the fixed annual cash salary. Variable remuneration is based on various financial and non-financial



criteria, and is linked to the performance of the Hoist Finance group and the relevant business unit respectively, and to individual targets. It is hence distinctly linked to the business strategy and thereby to the Company's long-term value creation, including its sustainability.

Variable remuneration takes into account the risks involved in the Company's operations and is proportional to the group's earning capacity, capital requirements, profit/loss and financial position. The payment of variable remuneration must not undermine the group's long-term interests and is contingent upon the recipient's compliance with internal rules and procedures. Variable remuneration is not paid to a senior executive who has participated in or been responsible for any action resulting in significant financial loss for the group or the relevant business unit.

For senior executives, payment of 51 per cent of the variable remuneration is deferred for a period of at least three years. Variable remuneration, including deferred remuneration, is only paid to the extent warranted by the group's financial situation and the performance of the group and the relevant business unit, and the senior executive's achievements.

The fulfilment of the criteria for payment of variable cash remuneration shall be measured during a period of one year. When the measurement period for the fulfilment of the criteria for the payment of variable cash remuneration has ended it shall be evaluated/determined to which extent the criteria have been fulfilled. The Remuneration Committee, and the Board of Directors with respect to remuneration to the CEO, are responsible for the assessment.

## Pension benefits and other benefits

Pension and insurance are offered pursuant to national laws, regulations and market practices and are structured as collective agreements, company-specific plans or a combination of the two. Hoist Finance has defined-contribution pension plans. Variable cash remuneration shall not qualify for pension benefits. The pension premiums for premium defined pension shall amount to no more than 30 per cent of the fixed annual cash salary.

Other benefits may include, for example, life insurance, medicial insurance (*Sw. sjukvårdsförsäkring*) and company cars. Other benefits are designed to be competitive in relation to similar operations in each respective country. Such benefits may amount to no more than 10 per cent of the fixed annual cash salary.

For employments governed by other rules than Swedish rules, pension benefits and other benefits may be duly adjusted for compliance with mandatory rules or established local practice, taking into account, to the extent possible, the overall purpose of these guidelines.



## Sign-on bonus

Remuneration for new hires, so-called "sign-on bonus", is only offered in exceptional cases and then only to compensate for non payment of variable remuneration relating to the senior executive's previous employment contract. Sign-on bonuses are paid during the year in which the senior executive begins to work. Decisions on exceptional cases are made in accordance with the decision-making process for variable remuneration.

#### Loans

Issuing loans to senior executives is not permitted.

## Salary and employment conditions for employees

In the preparation of the Board of Directors' proposal for these remuneration guidelines, salary and employment conditions for employees of the Company have been taken into account by including information on the employees' total income, the components of the remuneration and the increase and growth rate over time, in the Remuneration Committee's and the Board of Directors' basis of decision when evaluating whether the guidelines and the limitations set out herein are reasonable.

### The decision-making process to determine, review and implement the guidelines

The Board of Directors has established a Remuneration Committee. The committee's tasks include the preparation of the Board of Director's decision on the proposal of guidelines for executive remuneration. The Board of Directors shall prepare a proposal for new guidelines at least every fourth year and submit it to the General Meeting. The guidelines shall remain in force until new guidelines are adopted by the General Meeting.

The Remuneration Committee shall also monitor and evaluate programs for variable remuneration for the executive management, the application of the guidelines for executive remuneration as well as the current remuneration structures and compensation levels in the Company. The chairman of the board may be the chairman of the Committee. Other Committee members elected by the General Meeting shall be independent of the Company and its executive management. The CEO and other members of the executive management team do not participate in the Board of Directors' processing of and resolutions regarding remuneration-related matters in so far as they are affected by such matters.

### Termination of employment

Upon the group's termination of an employment contract, the maximum notice period is twelve months and no severance payment is made.



## Remuneration to board members for services performed outside of their Board duties

Directors, elected at General Meetings, may in certain cases receive remuneration for services performed within their respective areas of expertise, outside of their Board duties. Compensation for these services shall be paid at market terms and be approved by the Board of Directors.

## Derogation from the guidelines

The Board of Directors may temporarily resolve to derogate from the guidelines, in whole or in part, if in a specific case there is special cause for the derogation and a derogation is necessary to serve the Company's long-term interest, including its sustainability, or to ensure the Company's financial viability. Since the Remuneration Committee's tasks include the preparation of the Board of Directors' resolution in remuneration-related matters, any resolutions to derogate from the guidelines shall also be prepared by the Remuneration Committee.