

Press release

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Umicore intends to launch squeeze-out for remainder of Agosi shares

Umicore has informed its listed subsidiary Allgemeine Gold- und Silberscheideanstalt AG ("Agosi") that it intends to purchase the 8.8 % shares it does not yet own from Agosi's minority shareholders through a merger squeeze-out in accordance with German law. To determine the cash compensation for Agosi's minority shareholders, a valuation of Agosi will be carried out by an independent valuer appointed by Umicore and a court-appointed auditor.

Following a squeeze-out and subsequent delisting, Umicore would have flexibility to consider strategic options for the Jewelry & Industrial Metals activities within Agosi. These activities perform well from a commercial and financial point of view and Umicore wants to explore the best conditions for their further development.

Umicore expects that the merger squeeze-out would be resolved upon by the general meeting of Agosi in the second or third quarter of 2021.

Note to the editor:

Umicore acquired Agosi upon the acquisition of the Precious Metals Group ("PMG") in 2003 and currently holds 91.2 % of its shares. Agosi shares are listed on the Munich Freiverkehr stock exchange.

Agosi, headquartered in Pforzheim, Germany, has an international presence and offers the full precious metals cycle and other precious metals services for the jewelry and coin industries, as well as for various industrial applications in electrical engineering, in automotive, in the chemical industry and in medical technology. Agosi's activities are integrated in Umicore's Jewelry & Industrial Metals business unit and one Agosi subsidiary is part of Umicore's Electroplating business unit.

For more information on Agosi, please visit: https://www.agosi.de

Agosi and its subsidiaries are fully consolidated in Umicore's financial statements and are listed in Umicore's Annual Report, note F5 "Group Companies", p. 122.



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Umicore profile

Umicore is a global materials technology and recycling group. It focuses on application areas where its expertise in materials science, chemistry and metallurgy makes a real difference. Its activities are organised in three business groups: Catalysis, Energy & Surface Technologies and Recycling. Each business group is divided into market-focused business units offering materials and solutions that are at the cutting edge of new technological developments and essential to everyday life.

Umicore generates the majority of its revenues and dedicates most of its R&D efforts to clean mobility materials and recycling. Umicore's overriding goal of sustainable value creation is based on an ambition to develop, produce and recycle materials in a way that fulfils its mission: materials for a better life.

Umicore's industrial and commercial operations as well as R&D activities are located across the world to best serve its global customer base. The Group generated revenues (excluding metal) of € 1.6 billion (turnover of € 10.0 billion) in the first half of 2020 and currently employs just below 11,000 people.