

## Letter from the Chairman of the Supervisory Board

Herzogenrath, 4. April 2023

Dear shareholders,

I would like to take this opportunity to address you with supplementary and explanatory remarks regarding our Annual General Meeting on May 17, 2023, at 10:00 a.m. at the Parkhotel Quellenhof in Aachen.

Among other things, we are proposing my re-election to the Supervisory Board under agenda item 6. Having been elected by you to the Supervisory Board for a further year at the last Annual General Meeting, 2023 was to be my last Annual General Meeting at which I would step down from the Supervisory Board and hand over the Chair of the Supervisory Board to a successor. After an intensive search, we had found a very suitable designated successor. However, due to external criteria beyond our control, this designated successor for the Chair of the Supervisory Board was no longer available at short notice.

To ensure the execution of the succession planning for the Supervisory Board while maintaining a high level of qualification, stability and continuity, I am standing for re-election to the Supervisory Board for a maximum period of three further years. It is intended that I will also continue to chair the Supervisory Board.

The succession planning for the Supervisory Board will also include the succession of Prof. Dr. Petra Denk and Prof. Dr. Andreas Biagosch, who will retire for rotation reasons after the 2024 Annual General Meeting. The Supervisory Board has already, under my leadership, completed an extensive selection process to find a qualified external advisor. This advisor will support the Supervisory Board in winning suitable individuals for the AIXTRON Supervisory Board on the basis of a developed qualification matrix.

The target is to hand over the Chair of the Supervisory Board to a successor at the 2026 Annual General Meeting at the latest, thus completing the succession planning for the Supervisory Board. Part of the succession planning is also to appoint a financial expert with expertise in the field of accounting to the Supervisory Board. This person will then also replace me on the Audit Committee, as I currently meet the required qualification in the Supervisory Board. Prof. Dr. Anna Weber will continue to chair the Audit Committee. With her outstanding qualifications, this important function on the Supervisory Board is excellently filled.



I have special experience and knowledge of the Company due to my many years of service as an Executive Board member and Supervisory Board Chairman of AIXTRON SE. In this important but also sensitive transition phase for AIXTRON SE, the Supervisory Board believes that it is in the best interest of the Company that I contribute my extensive knowledge and experience to the Supervisory Board for a further term of office so that the succession planning, in particular with regard to the Chair of the Supervisory Board, can be successfully completed.

I would like to ask for your support for my re-election to be able to implement the course of action outlined, and I would be pleased to be at your disposal for a personal discussion. Please contact our Head of Investor Relations, Mr. Guido Pickert (g.pickert@aixtron.com), who will arrange an appointment.

With warm regards,

Yours Kim Schindelhauer