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## **SGS publishes the invitation and agenda for the 2026 Annual General Meeting**

- Presentation by Géraldine Picaud, Chief Executive Officer of SGS, highlighting the Company's record 2025 results and full implementation of all pillars of Strategy 27: Accelerating growth, building trust
- Succession to the Chair of the Board of Directors
- Approval of an optional scrip dividend of CHF 3.20 per share to be received in the form of shares or in cash
- Approval of the 2025 annual report, financial statements of SGS SA, consolidated financial statements of the SGS Group and report on non-financial matters
- Other statutory matters described in detail in the AGM invitation

The Board of Directors looks forward to welcoming Shareholders of SGS SA in person to the Annual General Meeting taking place on 26 March 2026, at 2:00 pm CET at the Circle Convention Center in Zurich, Switzerland. It will be held in German and partially in English, translated simultaneously into English, French and German.

### **Scrip dividend proposal**

The Board of Directors proposes the payment of a share or cash dividend, giving eligible Shareholders the right to receive either a cash dividend of CHF 3.20 per share or a dividend in the form of shares of the Company. Shares to be distributed as dividend will be created by way of a share capital increase, which the Shareholders will also be asked to approve, and will be valued at a 5% discount to the market value for the purpose of converting the dividend amount into a number of shares.

The Board of Directors believes that the proposed option to receive the dividend in the form of shares at a discount is consistent with the Company's plan to retain balance sheet strength and offers eligible Shareholders an attractive opportunity to increase their investment in SGS and to participate in the group's future growth.

### **2025 Integrated Report**

The Shareholders will be invited to approve the Company's 2025 annual report, the financial statements of SGS SA, the consolidated financial statements of the SGS Group and the report on non-financial matters.

Together, these documents form part of the SGS Integrated Report, which covers a larger scope than what is strictly required by legislation. The format is designed to help stakeholders clearly understand the Group's strategy, performance, governance and environmental impact. SGS's non-financial performance has been independently reviewed by external auditors to provide assurance on the reported data.

### **Board of Directors changes**

Calvin Grieder, the current Chair of the Board of Directors, has announced his intention to step down at the upcoming Annual General Meeting. His leadership has been instrumental in enhancing the Board's diversity and independence, overseeing a successful CEO succession, and reinforcing SGS's governance, internal controls and compensation frameworks. The Board of Directors expresses its sincere appreciation to Calvin and thanks him for his unwavering commitment, support and contribution throughout his tenure.

The Board of Directors will propose Gilbert Ghostine for election to the Board of Directors and as new Chairman of the Board of Directors. Gilbert Ghostine is an accomplished, purpose-driven business leader with nearly four decades of

global experience. He is known for driving sustainable, profitable growth in both public and private companies. He currently serves as Chairman of the Board of Directors of Sandoz, a global leader in affordable medicine, a position he has held since 2023. Since his appointment, he has led the company through its listing on the SIX Swiss Exchange and overseen its strong performance. He also serves on the Board of Directors of Danone and of Four Seasons Hotels and Resorts.

All other Board Members are proposed for individual re-election.

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## ABOUT SGS

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Our brand promise – *when you need to be sure* – underscores our commitment to trust, integrity and reliability, enabling businesses to thrive with confidence. We proudly deliver our expert services through the SGS name and a portfolio of trusted specialized brands, including Applied Technical Services, Brightsight, Bluesign and Nutrasource.

SGS is publicly traded on the SIX Swiss Exchange under the ticker symbol SGSN (ISIN CH1256740924, Reuters SGSN.S, Bloomberg SGSN SW).