

## News release

### Result of the share buyback by issuing tradable put options and announcement of a new share buyback programme at market price

#### Ladies and Gentlemen

On 12 October 2015 Castle Private Equity Ltd. announced a share buyback programme by issuing put options tradable on SIX Swiss Exchange. The put options have been traded from 15 October 2015 to and including 28 October 2015. Every 12 put options entitled shareholders to tender one registered share at the exercise price of CHF 20.00.

In total, 28,249,267 put options have been exercised. The 2,354,105 registered shares tendered correspond to 7.03% of the share capital and voting rights registered in the commercial register. The net purchase price (exercise price minus 35% withholding tax calculated on the difference between the exercise price and the nominal value) will be paid on 2 November 2015. It is intended that approval for the cancellation of all registered shares repurchased will be sought at the Annual General Meeting in 2016.

Furthermore, following the termination of the buyback via issuance of tradable put options, the Board of Directors of Castle Private Equity Ltd. decided to launch a new share buyback programme on a second trading line at SIX Swiss Exchange. It will start on 2 November 2015 (first trading day) and a maximum of 992,295 registered shares (maximum 2.97% of the share capital registered in the commercial register) will be purchased for cancellation purposes.


With kind regards

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