

## **Press Release**

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# Commerzbank fulfils Deutsche Börse's DAX 40 criterion of positive EBITDA in the past 2 financial years

On the basis of preliminary, unaudited figures, Commerzbank achieved a positive EBITDA of €3,371 million in the 2022 financial year. This means that Commerzbank meets the criterion of Deutsche Börse Group for DAX 40 membership of a positive EBITDA in its last two financial years. However, any inclusion in the DAX 40 also depends on other criteria, in particular the free float market capitalization. The corresponding valuation is carried out exclusively by the Deutsche Börse Group.

"We have decided to disclose Commerzbank's EBITDA for the 2022 year already now, in order to enable Deutsche Börse Group to consider us as a successor candidate for Linde in the DAX 40, with now two consecutive loss-free years," explains Bettina Orlopp, Chief Financial Officer of Commerzbank.

In particular, EBITDA for banks is composed of the following components to determine the profitability criterion:

- Pre-tax Income (field number 01401): 2,005 million Euro
- Interest Expense on Debt (01251): 850 million Euro
- Depreciation and Depletion (04049): 516 million Euro
- EBITDA (18198): 3,371 million Euro

The information in parentheses identifies the relevant field numbers according to Worldscope Database Datatype Definitions used for the calculation of EBITDA by Deutsche Börse Group.

Commerzbank will publish detailed figures for the 2022 financial year on 16 February 2023 on the basis of the preliminary and unaudited annual financial statements.

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