

## **Press Release**

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## Commerzbank successfully completes share buyback of €400 m

- 18,335,008 shares in total repurchased (1.5% of share capital)
- Total capital return of €1.73 bn for 2024 financial year consisting of share buybacks totalling around
  €1 bn and dividend payment of approximately €733 m
- CEO Bettina Orlopp: "With the share buyback of around €400 m, we have completed another important component of our capital return for the 2024 financial year."

Commerzbank AG successfully completed its share buyback on Wednesday, 26 March 2025. The Bank began the buyback on 14 February 2025. Since then, Commerzbank has repurchased a total of 18,335,008 of its own shares amounting to around €400 m at an average price of around €21.81 per share. This corresponds to a share of 1.5% of the Bank's share capital. Together with the share buyback of €600 m conducted between November 2024 and January 2025, the Bank has repurchased its own shares totalling around €1 bn as part of the capital return for the year 2024.

"With the share buyback of around €400 m, we have completed another important component of our capital return for the 2024 financial year. In total, we will return around €1.73 bn, which is 71% of our net result after deduction of AT1 coupon payments, to our shareholders. For the years 2022 to 2024, the capital return amounts to €3.1 bn. This is more than we had originally committed to," said Commerzbank CEO Bettina Orlopp.

In addition to the share buybacks, the capital return for the 2024 financial year will also include a dividend of €0.65 per share (2023: €0.35 per share). It will be proposed to the Annual General Meeting by the Board of Managing Directors and the Supervisory Board on 15 May 2025. In total, this results in a dividend payment of approximately €733 m for the 2024 financial year.

CFO Carsten Schmitt said: "Our goal for the coming years is clear: We want to sustainably increase our profitability and, based on that, continuously enhance the capital return to our shareholders. This includes not only share buybacks but also a steadily increasing dividend. For the 2025 financial year, we aim for a payout ratio of 100% of the net result before restructuring costs and after AT1 coupon payments."

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