

Press Release

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Commerzbank starts share buyback of €1bn

- Buyback to begin on 25 September and expected to be completed no later than 10 February 2026
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- CFO Carsten Schmitt: "We are committed to continuing to offer our shareholders highly attractive returns in the future. Therefore, we plan to steadily increase the capital return until 2028."
- In preparation for planned employee share programme, buyback of own shares with volume of up to €15.5m to begin

Today, the Board of Managing Directors of Commerzbank AG has decided to start the next share buyback programme. The European Central Bank (ECB) and the German Finance Agency had previously approved the programme. It is Commerzbank's fifth share buyback since 2023.

The Bank plans to repurchase shares worth up to €1bn starting on 25 September of this year. The buyback is expected to be completed no later than 10 February 2026. The repurchased shares are planned to be redeemed by the Bank at a later stage. The buyback is part of the capital return for the 2025 financial year, which will consist of the buyback of own shares and a dividend to be resolved at the next annual general meeting.

"Returning capital to our shareholders is a core element of our value creation strategy. This ensures our shareholders are directly participating in the success of Commerzbank," said Bettina Orlopp, CEO of Commerzbank. "For the current financial year, we aim to return 100% of our net result before restructuring expenses and after AT1 coupon payments." CFO Carsten Schmitt added: "We are committed to continuing to offer our shareholders highly attractive returns in the future. Therefore, we plan to steadily increase the capital return until 2028."

The Board of Managing Directors has also decided today that Commerzbank will purchase its own shares at a total acquisition price of up to €15.5m for the planned employee share programme that is expected to start this autumn.

Progress on the share buybacks will be published weekly on Commerzbank's website.

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