

Press Release

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SREP capital requirements for Commerzbank determined for 2024 – distance to MDA threshold remains comfortable

- **Pillar 2 capital requirement (P2R) set to 2.25%**
- **Maximum Distributable Amount (MDA) threshold for Common Equity Tier 1 pro forma at 10.27% of RWA**
- **Additional own funds requirement for leverage ratio (SREP P2R-LR) set at 0.1% for the first time**
- **CFO Bettina Orlopp: "The requirements are fully reflected in our strategic planning and capital return policy."**

In the annual Supervisory Review and Evaluation Process (SREP) the European Central Bank has determined the bank-specific capital requirements for the Commerzbank Group in 2024. The additional own funds requirement for Pillar 2 (P2R) slightly increases by 25 bp to 2.25% of total capital, of which at least 1.27% must be covered with Common Equity Tier 1 (CET1) capital. Currently, this requirement stands at 1.13% CET1. The SREP decision replaces the previous SREP decision with effect from 1 January 2024.

As of 30 September 2023, the pro forma CET1 requirement for Commerzbank on group level amounts to 10.27% of risk weighted assets (MDA threshold) when applying the new SREP decision. The requirement consists of the CET1 minimum requirement of 4.5%, the P2R of 1.27%, the capital conservation buffer of 2.5%, the capital buffer for otherwise systemically important institutions of 1.25%, the countercyclical capital buffer of currently 0.63%, the sectoral systemic risk buffer of currently 0.1% and an AT1 shortfall of currently 0.02%.

"The higher requirements are fully reflected in our strategic planning and capital return policy. With a CET1 ratio of 14.6% as of September 2023, we are well above the MDA threshold. As a result, we continue to have a comfortable leeway to significantly increase the return of capital to our shareholders in the coming years as planned", said CFO Bettina Orlopp. As part of its recently published strategic plans until 2027, Commerzbank aims für a CET1 target of 13.5 %.

In addition, for banks subject to the Single Supervisory Mechanism of European Banking Supervision (SSM), the ECB determines a requirement to maintain additional own funds for the leverage ratio (Pillar 2 requirement for the risk of excessive leverage – P2R-LR). For Commerzbank this requirement was set at 0.1% for the first time. The resulting leverage ratio requirement of 3.1% is met by a leverage ratio of 4.9% as of September 2023.

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