

Pohjola Bank plc  
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### **Pohjola applies for delisting of its shares**

The Board of Directors of Pohjola Bank Plc ("Pohjola") has decided to apply for the termination of trading in Pohjola shares and the delisting of shares from NASDAQ OMX Helsinki Ltd ("NASDAQ OMX Helsinki"). In the application to be submitted to NASDAQ OMX Helsinki, Pohjola will request that the delisting take effect as soon as possible after OP-Pohjola Group Central Cooperative has acquired the entire share capital of Pohjola.

OP-Pohjola Group Central Cooperative owns 98.41% of the Pohjola shares and 99.14% of the votes conferred by the shares. In accordance with Chapter 18 of the Limited Liability Companies Act, OP-Pohjola Group Central Cooperative has instituted proceedings for the redemption of minority shares to obtain the remaining Pohjola shares held by minority shareholders.

The Redemption Committee of the Central Chamber of Commerce has established a three-member arbitral tribunal to resolve any disputes concerning the right of redemption and the redemption price of the Pohjola shares held by parties other than OP-Pohjola Group Central Cooperative.

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