

## Report of the Supervisory Board for Fiscal Year 2016

The members of the Supervisory Board are:

- Kurt Dobitsch, Chairman of the Supervisory Board of United Internet AG, Markt Schwaben
- Kai-Uwe Ricke, Chairman of the Board of Directors of Delta Partners / Dubai, Stallikon/Switzerland
- Michael Scheeren, Member of the Supervisory Board of United Internet AG, Frankfurt

In fiscal year 2016, the Supervisory Board of United Internet AG fulfilled its legal and statutory duties to regularly advise the Management Board and monitor its management of the Company. The Supervisory Board was directly involved in all decisions of fundamental significance for the Company. The Management Board provided the Supervisory Board with regular and comprehensive reports, both written and oral, and also between meetings, about all relevant questions concerning corporate strategy and planning, as well as the associated risks and opportunities, the development and progress of business, planned and current investments, the status of the Company, its exposure to risk, the risk management system, and issues of compliance. The Management Board discussed the Company's strategic alignment with the Supervisory Board and presented it with a comprehensive report every quarter about the state of business, the development of sales and earnings, and the position of the Company and its business policy. This also included information about deviations between planned and actual figures. With regard to both content and scope, these reports met all statutory requirements, the standards of good corporate governance, and the criteria set by the Supervisory Board. The Management Board's reports were made available to all members of the Supervisory Board. The Chairman of the Supervisory Board was also kept regularly informed by the Management Board on all business activities, also between the meetings, and gave advice on questions of business policy. The Supervisory Board examined the plausibility of the reports provided by the Management Board, discussed their content in detail and gave a critical assessment.

The Supervisory Board comprises three members and has formed no committees.

The Supervisory Board was regularly informed by the Management Board about the internal control system, the group-wide risk management system and the Internal Audit system which it had introduced. On the basis of its own reviews, the Supervisory Board came to the conclusion that the internal control system, the group-wide risk management system and the internal audit system are fully functional and effective.

None of the Supervisory Board members holds any executive body or advisory positions with major competitors of the Company. There was no indication of any conflicts of interest involving Supervisory Board members.

In addition to the regular statutory reports, the Supervisory Board discussed and reviewed the following issues in greater detail:

• The annual financial statements and consolidated financial statements for fiscal year 2015

- The Report of the Supervisory Board to the Annual Shareholders' Meeting for fiscal year 2015 and the updated Declaration of Conformity with the German Corporate Governance Code
- Determining the Management Board's target achievement in fiscal year 2015 and approving the payment of variable compensation components, as well as agreeing new targets for the Management Board for fiscal year 2016
- The invitation to the Annual Shareholders' Meeting 2016, as well as the agenda and motions for resolutions
- The dividend proposal for the Annual Shareholders' Meeting
- Audit planning and the quarterly reports of the Internal Audit department
- The Compliance Report 2015
- The quarterly reports on risk management and the risk management strategy
- The issuance of SARs (Stock Appreciation Rights)
- The implementation of a new employee stock ownership plan
- The development of a quota for the proportion of women
- The harmonization of articles and rules of procedure within the Group
- The new EU Market Abuse Regulation
- The EU reform of the statutory audit of annual accounts and the auditor reform law
- The conclusion of important rental agreements
- The development of the company during the year
- Group planning and the investment projects for fiscal year 2017
- Sales and earnings planning 2017 of United Internet AG (parent company)
- The purchase of shares in Tele Columbus AG
- The examination of an investment in the Business Applications division
- The investment of Warburg Pincus in the Business Applications division
- The acquisition of Strato AG
- The setting of dates for the Supervisory Board's meetings and the financial calendar for fiscal year 2017

#### Meetings and participation:

The Supervisory Board held four meetings during fiscal year 2016 during which the Management Board presented detailed information about the business situation and the development of the Company and Group, as well as about significant business events. The meetings were each attended by all members. In addition to the meetings, further resolutions on current topics were adopted by means of circular written consent.

### Corporate Governance

The Supervisory Board once again discussed the German Corporate Governance Code in detail during fiscal year 2016. The Management Board and Supervisory Board issued an updated Declaration of Conformity pursuant to Sec. 161 AktG on February 20, 2017 which is permanently available on the corporate website and in the Federal Newsletter (Bundesanzeiger). Declarations of previous years can also be viewed here.

### Discussion of the annual financial statements 2016 for the Company and the Group

The Annual Shareholders' Meeting of United Internet AG on May 19, 2016 elected Ernst & Young GmbH Wirtschaftsprüfungsgesellschaft, based in Eschborn/Frankfurt am Main, as auditors for the fiscal year 2016. Ernst & Young GmbH Wirtschaftsprüfungsgesellschaft audited the accounting system, the annual financial statements of United Internet AG, the consolidated financial statements according to IFRS and the combined management report for United Internet AG and the Group for the fiscal year 2016. As part of its audit of the annual financial statements, Ernst & Young GmbH Wirtschaftsprüfungsgesellschaft also audited and analyzed the Company's risk management system. The auditor did not detect any major weaknesses in the internal control system, Group-wide risk management system or Internal Audit system. The auditor awarded an unqualified certificate in each case.

The Supervisory Board satisfied itself as to the independence of the auditors and received a written declaration to this end.

The aforementioned annual financial statement documents, the proposal for the appropriation of profit and the auditor's report were presented to all members of the Supervisory Board in due time. The chief auditor attended the relevant meeting of the Supervisory Board on March 22, 2017, where he reported on his audits and their results, elaborated on the audit report, and answered the Supervisory Board's questions. Following its own inspection, the Supervisory Board came to the conclusion that the annual financial statements, the combined management report, the consolidated financial statements and the auditor's report gave no cause for objections. The Supervisory Board concurs with the auditor that there are no major weaknesses in the internal control and risk management system, especially with regard to the accounting process. With a resolution on March 22, 2017, the Supervisory Board approved the annual financial statements of United Internet AG, as prepared by the Company on March 17, 2017 and the consolidated annual financial statements according to IFRS for fiscal 2016, also prepared by the Company on March 17, 2017. The annual financial statements are therefore adopted pursuant to Sec. 172 AktG. The Supervisory Board supports the proposal of the Management Board concerning the allocation of retained earnings.

# Audit of the Management Board's report on relations with affiliated companies

The Management Board presented its report on relations with affiliated companies (Dependent Company Report) for fiscal year 2016 to the Supervisory Board in good time.

The report prepared by the Management Board about relations with affiliated companies was also audited by the external auditors. The following certificate was awarded in this respect:

"On the basis of our statutory examination and evaluation, we can confirm that

- 1. the details made in the report are accurate,
- 2. the Company was compensated adequately for each transaction mentioned in the report,
- 3. in the case of those measures mentioned in the report, there is no evidence to suggest a significantly different assessment to that provided by the Management Board."

The external auditors submitted the audit report to the Supervisory Board. The Dependent Company Report and Audit Report were made available to the Supervisory Board in good time. The Supervisory Board reviewed the Management Board's Dependent Company Report and the Audit Report. The Supervisory Board performed the final review at its meeting on March 22, 2017. The external auditors attended this meeting and reported on their audit of the Dependent Company Report and their main audit results, explained their Audit Report, and answered questions from members of the Supervisory Board. On the basis of our final examination, we concur with the Management Board's Dependent Company Report and the Audit Report and have no objections to raise regarding the Management Board's declaration at the end of the Dependent Company Report.

The Supervisory Board thanks the Management Board and all employees for their outstanding commitment to the Company in fiscal year 2016.

Montabaur, March 22, 2017

For the Supervisory Board Kurt Dobitsch