

Natixis' Combined Ordinary and Extraordinary General Shareholders' Meeting

Where and when?

Natixis' Combined General Shareholders' Meeting will be held on **Thursday, May 26, 2011 at 3:00 p.m., as in 2010, at Carrousel du Louvre** (99, rue de Rivoli - 75001 Paris) which is easily accessible by public transportation*.

Shareholders' registration and access to the Meeting will begin at 2:00 p.m. and it is highly recommended to check in at least thirty minutes in advance.

Who attends the Shareholders' Meeting?

The Meeting will be chaired by Mr. François Pérol as Chairman of Natixis' Board of Directors.

Natixis' Chief Executive Officer, Mr. Laurent Mignon, as well as Natixis' directors and senior executives will also be entitled to answer questions from shareholders.

What are the main items on the agenda of this Shareholders' Meeting?

Resolutions that will be submitted to the shareholders' vote include approval of the 2010 financial statements, the dividend amount and the option for payment of dividend in shares.

May I take part in the Shareholders' Meeting?

Any shareholder is entitled to attend the Meeting in person, to be represented by his/her spouse, another shareholder or by any natural or legal person of his/her choice or to vote by post.

To attend the Meeting, shareholders must prove ownership of their shares as at the third business day prior to the Meeting, i.e. on May 23, 2011.

Besides:

- bearer shareholders must submit:

- an admission card delivered by Caceis Corporate Trust** on request sent to their financial intermediary or, failing which
- a shareholding certificate delivered directly by their financial intermediary as proof of their shareholder status;

- registered shareholders may attend without completing any specific formalities, but it is recommended, for their convenience, that they fill out and return the admission card which was sent them by Caceis Corporate Trust**.

Reminder: bearer shareholders are those who hold their securities through their financial intermediary (Banque Populaire or Caisse d'Epargne bank, for instance).

=> Please note that there is no *automatic registration* for the Meeting.

To attend and vote under optimal conditions, it is most important that shareholders inform their bank that they plan to attend the Meeting as soon as possible.

How to vote at the Shareholders' Meeting?

Each shareholder who attends the Meeting will be receiving an electronic voting device to be used during the Meeting.

A shareholder who wishes to vote but cannot attend the Meeting may use a postal or proxy voting form to:

- vote by post, or
- give proxy to his/her spouse, or to another natural or legal shareholder or to any natural or legal person of his/her choice attending the Meeting, or
- appoint the chairman of the Meeting as proxy.

This form will be sent to all registered shareholders automatically. Bearer shareholders will have to contact their financial intermediary with which their shares are registered in order to obtain the document. The financial intermediary will then contact Caceis Corporate Trust**. All requests for such forms must be lodged or received at Natixis' head office no later than May 20, 2011. The voting form should be returned duly filled out by the shareholder no later than May 23, 2011.

How long does a Shareholders' Meeting last?

The Shareholders' Meeting usually lasts two to three hours, depending on the agenda and the length of the Questions & Answers session.

In the event I am unable to attend?

The Shareholders' Meeting will be available as a webcast on Natixis' website (www.natixis.com) during one year.

Where to find complete information on Natixis' General Shareholders' Meeting?

Complete information on the Meeting is available on Natixis' website (www.natixis.com), under the "Shareholders' Meetings" heading, specifically the convening notice and the brochure of meeting notice.

* Metro: lines 1 and 7, "Palais Royal – Musée du Louvre" station, "Carrousel du Louvre" exit.

Bus: lines 21, 27, 39, 48, 67, 68, 69, 72, 81, 95, "Palais Royal – Musée du Louvre" or "Palais Royal – Comédie Française" or "Musée du Louvre" stations.

** Centralizing body of Natixis' General Shareholders' Meeting which also maintains the Company's Share Register.