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Ekosem-Agrar bond placed successfully

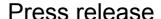
- Issue of EUR 50 million fully placed
- Trading starts 20 March

Walldorf, 19 March 2012 – The bond (WKN: A1MLSJ, ISIN: DE000A1MLSJ1) of Ekosem-Agrar GmbH, the German holding company of the Ekoniva Group, one of the largest agricultural companies in Russia, met with great interest from institutional investors and asset managers as well as private investors. The EUR 50 million issue was oversubscribed and the subscription period was today terminated prematurely. The bond will be admitted to trading in the Bondm segment of the Stuttgart Stock Exchange on 20 March 2012. The value date of the issue will remain unchanged (23 March 2012).

Demand came half from private investors and half from national and international investors, and the bond was allocated accordingly.

"We are pleased about the great interest in our bond and would like to thank investors for the confidence placed in us," said Stefan Dürr, founder and Managing Director of Ekosem-Agrar GmbH. "Russia's agricultural sector benefits from excellent conditions, which we will exploit to continue our growth strategy." The company plans to extend its farmland to 230,000 hectares and to increase the number of dairy cows to about 21,000 by the year 2015.

FION GmbH was the Bondm coach, equinet Bank AG the Lead Manager and IR.on AG the communication and marketing consultant in the issue.





Facts & figures of the agricultural bond

Issue volume: Up to EUR 50,000,000 WKN / ISIN: A1MLSJ / DE000A1MLSJ1

Interest rate: 8.75% Term: 5 years

Interest payment: Annually, first payment on 23 March 2013

Redemption price: 100%
Denomination: EUR 1,000

Type of security: Partial bearer bonds

Stock exchange segment: Bondm, Stuttgart Stock Exchange Company rating: BB+ (Creditreform Rating AG)

Legally binding securities prospectus available for download in German only at www.ekosem-agrar.de/de/anleihe

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About Ekosem-Agrar

Ekosem-Agrar GmbH, based in Walldorf, Germany, is the holding company of Ekoniva Group, one of the biggest Russian agricultural companies. The company is the third-largest milk producer in Russia, owning 30,000 cattle and generating an average daily milk yield of 215 tons. The Group has an overall area of 160,000 hectares at its disposal and ranks among the leading producers of seeds. As a third area of activity the company currently develops the premium beef segment. Stefan Dürr, founder and managing director of the company, has been working in the Russian agriculture since the end of the 1980s and made a significant contribution to shaping the sector's modernization during the past two decades. In 2009, Stefan Dürr was awarded the Order of Merit of the Federal Republic of Germany for his commitment to the German-Russian dialog on agriculture. The Group employs approximately 3,000 employees at six locations across Russia, and has achieved an operating output in FY 2010/2011 of EUR 81m.

More information: www.ekosem-agrar.de