



Press Release

SCHMOLZ + BICKENBACH invites shareholders to Annual General Meeting 2015

- **Submission of Annual Report, separate financial statements and consolidated financial statements 2014**
- **Consultative vote on the 2014 Compensation Report**
- **No distribution of dividend in order to strengthen the balance sheet**
- **Board of Directors, Compensation Committee and independent proxy elections**
- **Approval of future compensation for Board of Directors and Executive Management**

Emmenbrücke, 25 March 2015 – SCHMOLZ + BICKENBACH AG, a global leader in special long steel (such as tool steel, stainless steel, and engineering steel) listed on the SIX Swiss Exchange (SIX: STLN),, invites company shareholders to the Annual General Meeting 2015 at the Kultur- und Kongresszentrum Luzern, Europaplatz 1, Lucerne. Along with the annual report, separate financial statements and consolidated financial statements 2014 submissions, the elections to the Board of Directors, the Compensation Committee and of the independent proxy, the Board of Directors will propose at the meeting not to distribute any dividend. This will help to strengthen the balance sheet and sustainably strengthen the value of the Company. The first compensation report for the 2014 financial year will also be presented to the Annual General Meeting for consultative approval. In compliance with the new Ordinance against excessive Compensation, compensation for the Board of Directors and Executive Management will also be presented at the Annual General Meeting for approval. Compensation is modelled on standards in benchmark industries and is designed to promote management continuity and sustainability.

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You will find the invitation to the General Meeting at:

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