

# Invitation to the Annual General Meeting on 3 May 2024



# RWE Aktiengesellschaft Essen, Germany

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## I. Convocation and Agenda

We hereby invite you to the Ordinary General Meeting of RWE Aktiengesellschaft, Essen, which shall be held as a virtual Annual General Meeting at

#### 10:00 a.m. CEST on Friday, 3 May 2024

without the shareholders or their proxies attending in person.

Presentation of the approved financial statements of RWE Aktiengesellschaft and the Group for the fiscal year ended 31 December 2023, the combined review of operations of RWE Aktiengesellschaft and the Group, and the Supervisory Board report for fiscal 2023

The Supervisory Board approved the financial statements of RWE Aktiengesellschaft and the Group prepared by the Executive Board. The financial statements of RWE Aktiengesellschaft are thus adopted in accordance with Section 172, Sentence 1 of the German Stock Corporation Act. Therefore, there is no need for a resolution to be passed by the Annual General Meeting.

The documents are published at www.rwe.com/agm and will also be available there during the Annual General Meeting.

#### 2 Appropriation of distributable profit

The Executive Board and the Supervisory Board propose that distributable profit of RWE Aktiengesellschaft for fiscal 2023 be appropriated as follows:

Payment of a dividend of EUR 1.00 per dividend-bearing share	= EUR	743,841,217.00
Profit carryforward	= EUR	16,556.92
Distributable profit	= EUR	743,857,773.92

The dividend is due on the third business day following the passage of the resolution by the Annual General Meeting. The dividend payment is thus scheduled for 8 May 2024.

#### 3 Approval of the acts of the members of the Executive Board

The Executive Board and the Supervisory Board propose that the following Executive Board members be granted approval for their acts during their respective tenures in fiscal 2023.

- 3.1 Dr. Markus Krebber (Chairman)
- 3.2 Katja van Doren
- 3.3 Dr. Michael Müller
- 3.4 Zvezdana Seeger

It is envisaged to have the Annual General Meeting vote on the approval of the acts of the Executive Board by way of individual ratification.

#### Approval of the acts of the members of the Supervisory Board

The Executive Board and the Supervisory Board propose that the following Supervisory Board members be granted approval for their acts during their respective tenures in fiscal 2023.

- 4.1 Dr. Werner Brandt (Chairman)
- 4.2 Ralf Sikorski (Deputy Chairman)
- 4.3 Michael Bochinsky
- 4.4 Sandra Bossemeyer
- 4.5 Dr. Hans Bünting
- 4.6 Matthias Dürbaum
- 4.7 Ute Gerbaulet
- 4.8 Prof. Dr.-Ing. Dr.-Ing. E. h. Hans-Peter Keitel
- 4.9 Mag. Dr. h. c. Monika Kircher
- 4.10 Thomas Kufen
- 4.11 Reiner van Limbeck
- 4.12 Harald Louis
- 4.13 Dagmar Paasch
- 4.14 Dr. Erhard Schipporeit
- 4.15 Dirk Schumacher
- 4.16 Ullrich Sierau
- 4.17 Hauke Stars
- 4.18 Helle Valentin
- 4.19 Dr. Andreas Wagner
- 4.20 Marion Weckes

It is envisaged to have the Annual General Meeting vote on the approval of the acts of the Supervisory Board by way of individual ratification.

#### **5** Appointment of the auditor

Based on the recommendation of the Audit Committee, the Supervisory Board proposes that

Deloitte GmbH Wirtschaftsprüfungsgesellschaft, Munich, Düsseldorf Branch Office, Germany,

be appointed auditor for fiscal 2024, for the audit-like review of the condensed financial statements and the interim review of operations as of 30 June 2024, and for a potential audit-like review of any additional interim financial information as of 30 September 2024 and 31 March 2025.

On completion of the prescribed selection process for audit services for fiscal 2024 onwards in accordance with Article 16 (2) of Audit Regulation (EU) No. 537/2014 of the European Parliament and Council of 16 April 2014 ('Audit Regulation'), the Supervisory Board's Audit Committee recommended Deloitte GmbH Wirtschaftsprüfungsgesellschaft and KPMG AG Wirtschaftsprüfungsgesellschaft to the Supervisory Board, while stating its substantiated preference for Deloitte GmbH Wirtschaftsprüfungsgesellschaft.

In its recommendation to the Supervisory Board, the Audit Committee declared that its recommendation is free from undue influence by third parties and that no clause restricting the choice within the meaning of Article 16 (6) of the Audit Regulation has been imposed on it.

#### **6** Supervisory Board elections

The tenures of Supervisory Board members Ute Gerbaulet, Prof. Dr.-Ing. Dr.-Ing. E. h. Hans-Peter Keitel, Dr. Erhard Schipporeit and Ullrich Sierau end on conclusion of the Annual General Meeting on 3 May 2024. Therefore, the Annual General Meeting must elect four shareholder representatives to the Supervisory Board.

The Supervisory Board is composed in accordance with Section 96, Paragraphs 1 and 2, and Section 101, Paragraph 1 of the German Stock Corporation Act; Section 7, Paragraph 1, Sentence 1, Item 3 and Sentence 2 of the German Co-determination Act; and Section 8, Paragraph 1 of the Articles of Incorporation of RWE Aktiengesellschaft. It consists of ten shareholder representatives and ten employee representatives, and must be composed of at least 30 percent women and 30 % men (minimum quota requirement).

The shareholder representatives on the Supervisory Board objected to the Supervisory Board fulfilling the minimum quota collectively (collective achievement), as a result of which the

minimum female and male guotas of 30 percent respectively must be fulfilled by the shareholder representatives separately. Therefore, the shareholders must be represented on the Supervisory Board by at least three women and three men, respectively. Excluding the members whose tenure expires on conclusion of the Annual General Meeting, the shareholders are represented on the Supervisory Board by three women and three men. The minimum requirement has thus been fulfilled and it will be fulfilled in the future irrespective of the number of women and men elected to the Supervisory Board as shareholder representatives by the Annual General Meeting.

The Supervisory Board proposes that the following candidates be elected shareholder representatives on the Supervisory Board on an individual basis with tenures that expire on conclusion of the Annual General Meeting that passes a resolution on the approval of the acts of the Supervisory Board for fiscal 2026:

- 6.1 Dr. Frank Appel
  - Chairman of the Supervisory Board of Deutsche Telekom AG, residing in Königswinter, Germany
- 6.2 Ute Gerbaulet
  - Personally Liable Partner of Dr. August Oetker KG, residing in Bielefeld, Germany
- 6.3 Prof. Jörg Rocholl, PhD President of the European School of Management and Technology (ESMT Berlin), residing in Berlin, Germany
- 6.4 Thomas Westphal Mayor of the City of Dortmund, residing in Dortmund, Germany

The candidate nominations are based on recommendations made by the Nomination Committee of the Supervisory Board. They take account of the Supervisory Board's goals with regard to its composition and are intended to fill the skills matrix adopted by the Supervisory Board.

Based on the assessment of the Supervisory Board, the proposed candidates do not entertain personal or business relations with the Company, the boards of the Company or a major shareholder which an objectively judging shareholder would consider to be decisive for their election decision.

The CVs of the candidates (including the information required pursuant to Section 125, Paragraph 1, Sentence 5 of the German Stock Corporation Act) are included in Section III 'Reports and further information on items on the Agenda'. This information has also been published at www.rwe.com/agm and will also be accessible there during the Annual General Meeting.

#### Approval of the Remuneration Report

Section 120a, Paragraph 4 of the German Stock Corporation Act stipulates that the Annual General Meeting pass a resolution on the approval of the Remuneration Report for the preceding fiscal year prepared and audited in compliance with Section 162 of the German Stock Corporation Act.

The Remuneration Report for Fiscal 2023, prepared by the Executive Board and the Supervisory Board, in included in Section III 'Reports and further information on the items on the Agenda'. It was audited by the auditor in compliance with Section 162, Paragraph 3 of the German Stock Corporation Act to verify whether it contains the disclosure mandated by Section 162, Paragraphs 1 and 2 of the German Stock Corporation Act. The auditor exceeded the legal requirements by also reviewing the contents of the Remuneration Report. The opinion on the audit of the Remuneration Report has been appended to the Remuneration Report.

In addition, the Remuneration Report and the opinion on the audit have been published at www.rwe.com/agm and will be available there during the Annual General Meeting as well.

The Executive Board and the Supervisory Board propose that the Remuneration Report for Fiscal 2023 prepared and audited in accordance with Section 162 of the German Stock Corporation Act be approved.

# II. Further information and pointers

#### 1 Number of shares and voting rights

When this Annual General Meeting was convened, the Company's capital stock was divided among 743,841,217 shares, each of which bears one vote.

#### 2 Annual General Meeting without shareholders or their proxies attending in person

As provided for by Section 118a, Paragraph 1, Sentence 1 of the German Stock Corporation Act in conjunction with Article 14, Paragraph 3 of the Company's Articles of Incorporation, the Executive Board of RWE Aktiengesellschaft decided to hold the Annual General Meeting without the shareholders or their proxies attending in person (virtual Annual General Meeting). The Annual General Meeting will be held at RWE Platz 1, 45141 Essen, Germany, with the Chair, the entire Executive Board and the entire Supervisory Board, the notary entrusted with taking the minutes, and the Company's voting proxies attending in person. Shareholders and their proxies (with the exception of the Company's voting proxies) may not be present at the venue of the Annual General Meeting in person.

#### 3 Online service, electronic connection and AGM web simulcast

The Company has set up an online service for the Annual General Meeting at www.rwe.com/agm. Duly registered and legitimised shareholders (see Item 4 for details of the registration process) or their proxies may connect to the Annual General Meeting electronically and exercise their shareholder rights via the online service.

Access to the online service requires the information printed on the participation ticket, which is sent to all shareholders who have duly submitted their registration and proof of share ownership. Proxies receive their own participation ticket with which they can connect to the Annual General Meeting electronically via the online service (see Item 6 for details on authorisations).

Shareholders and their proxies can follow the entire Annual General Meeting via an audio visual feed using the online service starting at 10:00 a.m. CEST on 3 May 2024. In addition, the Annual General Meeting will be simulcast on the web at www.rwe.com/agm for the public from start to finish.

#### 4 Participating in the Annual General Meeting and exercising voting rights

Shareholders who want to participate in the Annual General Meeting (via electronic connection) and exercise their voting rights must have sent their registration to the Company to the following address no later than 24:00 hours CEST on 26 April 2024:

RWE Aktiengesellschaft c/o ADEUS Aktienregister-Service-GmbH P.O. Box 57 03 64 22772 Hamburg, Germany

or via e-mail to: hv-service.rwe@adeus.de

The registration must be submitted in the text form in German or English. The shareholders must also prove that they are authorised to exercise voting rights. This requires proof furnished in text form by the depositary bank or financial services institution or proof in accordance with Section 67c, Paragraph 3 of the German Stock Corporation Act that they were shareholders of the Company at the close of business on 11 April 2024 (i. e. at 24:00 hours CEST) ("Record Date"). Analogously to the registration, proof of share ownership must be received by the Company at the address listed above by no later than 24:00 hours CEST on 26 April 2024.

From the Company's perspective, only individuals who have duly furnished special proof of share ownership shall be considered shareholders with respect to the exercise of voting rights. The scope of the voting rights shall solely be based on the share ownership as of the Record Date. The Record Date is not equivalent to a ban on the sale of shares in the Company. Even in the event of a complete or partial sale of shares held in the Company after the Record Date, the scope of voting rights shall solely be determined by the share ownership of the shareholder as of the Record Date, i. e. sales of shares in the Company after the Record Date shall not affect the scope of the voting rights. The same applies to purchases of shares and increases in share ownership after the Record Date. Individuals who do not own shares in the Company on the Record Date and only become shareholders thereafter shall not be entitled to participate or exercise voting rights to the extent they have not obtained proxy rights or an authorisation to exercise rights.

Shareholders who duly request a participation ticket to exercise voting rights from their depositary bank usually do not need to do anything else. In such cases, registration and proof of share ownership are handled by the depositary bank.

#### 5 Exercising voting rights by postal vote

Shareholders can cast votes by postal vote. This requires shareholder registration and proof of share ownership before the appropriate deadline according to the aforementioned provisions.

Postal votes may be cast, changed and withdrawn via the online service at www.rwe.com/agm before and during the Annual General Meeting until the point in time determined by the Chair during the Annual General Meeting.

Votes can also be cast by postal vote by using the form entitled "Briefwahl und Stimmrechtsvertretung" ["postal vote and voting proxy"] provided together with the participation ticket. Postal votes cast on paper must be sent to the following address at which they must be received by 24:00 hours CEST on 1 May 2024:

RWE Aktiengesellschaft c/o ADEUS Aktienregister-Service-GmbH P.O. Box 57 03 64 22772 Hamburg, Germany

Postal votes sent via e-mail to

hv-service.rwe@adeus.de

must be received by the point in time determined by the Chair during the Annual General Meeting.

#### 6 Exercising voting rights via proxies

Shareholders may also exercise their voting rights via a proxy, for instance an intermediary, a shareholder association, a voting right advisor, the voting proxies appointed by the Company, or a third party. This requires shareholder registration and proof of share ownership before the appropriate deadline according to the aforementioned provisions.

The issuance, revocation and proof of authorisations must be communicated to the Company in the text form or transmitted electronically via the online service at www.rwe.com/agm.

Exceptions may apply to authorisations to intermediaries, shareholder associations, voting advisors and other persons of equal standing pursuant to Section 135, Paragraph 8 of the German Stock Corporation Act. Shareholders are requested to agree on these requirements with their proxy.

Proxies (except for the Company's voting proxies) are also forbidden from participating in the Annual General Meeting in person. They may exercise voting rights only by postal vote or by issuing a (sub) authorisation and instructions to the voting proxies appointed by the Company. Proxies are sent their own participation tickets including the information necessary to access the online service in order to exercise rights via the online service at www.rwe.com/agm. Authorisations should thus be issued as early as possible in order to enable proxies to receive their participation tickets in time.

The Company appointed Dr. Friederike Freund and Johannes Rehahn, both from RWE Aktiengesellschaft, the Company's voting proxies. Shareholders who wish to be represented by voting proxies in exercising their voting rights must give them an authorisation and instructions to this end. These proxies are obliged to cast votes in accordance with the instructions they are given.

Authorisations and instructions issued to the voting proxies appointed by the Company may be given, changed and revoked via the online service at www.rwe.com/agm before and during the Annual General Meeting up until the point in time determined by the Chair.

Authorisations and instructions may also be issued to the voting proxies appointed by the Company using the form designed for this purpose ("Briefwahl und Stimmrechtsvertretung" ["postal vote and voting proxy"]) accompanying the participation ticket. Authorisations and instructions on paper must be sent to the address stated under Item 5, at which they must be received by 24:00 hours CEST on 1 May 2024.

Authorisations and instructions to the voting proxies appointed by the Company, which are sent via e-mail to

hv-service.rwe@adeus.de

must be received by the point in time determined by the Chair during the Annual General Meeting.

#### Requests for supplements to the Agenda

Pursuant to Section 122, Paragraph 2 of the German Stock Corporation Act, shareholders who hold a combined one-twentieth of the Company's capital stock or a prorated share of EUR 500,000 may request that items be placed on the Agenda and announced. Every item added must be accompanied by grounds or a draft resolution.

Requests for additional Agenda items must be directed to the Company's Executive Board and received by the Company at least 30 days before the Annual General Meeting, excluding the date of receipt and the day of the Annual General Meeting. The deadline for receipt is thus 24:00 hours CEST on 2 April 2024.

Requests for supplements shall only be considered if applicants prove that they have owned the shares in relation to the minimum shareholding at least 90 days prior to the date on which the request for the supplement has been received and that they will hold the shares until the Executive Board decides on the request for a supplement (cf. Section 122, Paragraph 2, Sentence 1 in conjunction with Section 122, Paragraph 1, Sentence 3 of the German Stock Corporation Act).

We kindly request that requests for supplements be sent to the following address:

RWE Aktiengesellschaft Legal, Compliance & Insurance (CEJ-C) RWE Platz 1 45141 Essen Germany

or in electronic form pursuant to Section 126a of the German Civil Code via e-mail to: HV2024@rwe.com

#### 8 Countermotions and candidate nominations

Pursuant to Sections 126 and 127 of the German Stock Corporation Act, every shareholder has the right to send motions against the proposals made by management in relation to an item on the Agenda and candidate nominations by management in relation to Items 5 (Appointment of the auditor) and 6 on the Agenda (Supervisory Board elections) at least 14 days prior to the Annual General Meeting, excluding the date on which the motion is received and the day on which the Annual General meeting is held, i.e. by no later than 24:00 hours CEST on 18 April 2024. We kindly request that countermotions and candidate nominations be sent to the following address:

RWE Aktiengesellschaft Legal, Compliance & Insurance (CEJ-C) RWE Platz 1 45141 Essen Germany

or via e-mail to: HV2024@rwe.com

Countermotions and candidate nominations sent to other addresses shall not be considered.

Countermotions and candidate nominations subject to publication that are duly received by the Company will be published on the Internet at www.rwe.com/agm including the name of the shareholder, if applicable, a reasoning and, if applicable, a statement by Company management

Countermotions and candidate nominations that must be published pursuant to Sections 126 or 127 of the German Stock Corporation Act shall be deemed filed when they are published. Voting rights concerning these countermotions and candidate nominations may be exercised by duly registered and legitimised shareholders via the online service at www.rwe.com/agm. If a shareholder filing a countermotion or making a candidate nomination has not duly registered for the Annual General Meeting and is not duly legitimised, the countermotion or candidate nomination need not be considered during the Annual General Meeting.

This shall not prejudice the right of shareholders who have connected to the Annual General Meeting electronically via video communication to file countermotions and make candidate nominations.

#### Statements by shareholders

27 April 2024.

Pursuant to Section 130a, Paragraphs 1 to 4 of the German Stock Corporation Act, every shareholder who has duly registered for the Annual General Meeting has the right to submit statements regarding the Items on the Agenda via electronic means of communication by no later than five days before the Annual General Meeting, excluding the date of receipt and the day on which the Annual General Meeting is held, i.e. by no later than 24:00 hours CEST on

Statements must be made in text form and may only be submitted via the online service at www.rwe.com/agm. Statements may not exceed 10,000 characters.

Duly filed statements regarding items on the Agenda will be published on the online service by no later than four days before the Annual General Meeting, excluding the date of receipt and the day on which the Annual General Meeting is held, i.e. by no later than 24:00 hours CEST on 28 April 2024. In filing statements, shareholders declare that they agree to have them published along with their name.

The possibility to file statements does not provide grounds for the possibility to file advance questions pursuant to Section 131, Paragraph 1a of the German Stock Corporation Act. Therefore, any questions included in statements shall not be answered at the virtual Annual General Meeting unless they are asked via video communication during the Annual General Meeting. Motions, candidate nominations and objections to resolutions passed by the Annual General Meeting included in statements shall not be considered, either. These may only be

filed or to be declared via the channels established separately in this convocation.

#### Right to speak

Pursuant to Section 130a, Paragraphs 5 and 6 of the German Stock Corporation Act, every shareholder connected to the Annual General Meeting has the right to speak via video communication. Suitable video and audio transmission must be ensured by the shareholder. Submissions may include motions and candidate nominations pursuant to Section 118a, Paragraph 1, Sentence 2, Item 3 of the German Stock Corporation Act and requests for information pursuant to Section 131 of the German Stock Corporation Act.

Shareholders can register their submissions via the online service at www.rwe.com/agm once the Annual General Meeting begins. The Chair shall explain the procedure for requesting the floor and receiving the floor in more detail during the Annual General Meeting.

The Company reserves the right to check the quality of video communication between the shareholder and the Company during the Annual General Meeting before each submission and to refuse giving them the floor if the quality is insufficient. The minimum technical requirements for making submissions via video communication are a Web-enabled device with a camera and microphone which can be accessed by a browser as well as a stable Internet connection. There is no need to install additional software components or apps on the device. Additional pointers regarding video communication can be found at www.rwe.com/agm.

#### Right to information

Section 131 of the German Stock Corporation Act gives every shareholder the right to request information from the Executive Board at the Annual General Meeting on Company matters as long as the information is required to properly assess subject matter on the Agenda. The Executive Board's obligation to provide information pertains to the Company's legal and business relations to affiliated companies and the situation of the Group as well as to the companies included in the consolidated financial statements.

The Chair can determine that the right to information at the Annual General Meeting be solely exercised via video communication. He intends to exercise this discretion. Questions submitted before or during the Annual General Meeting via other channels shall not be considered.

The Executive Board may refuse to provide information under certain circumstances that are set out in detail in Section 131, Paragraph 3 of the German Stock Corporation Act. The conditions allowing the Executive Board to refuse providing information are presented at www.rwe.com/agm.

#### Filing objections for the minutes

Pursuant to Section 118a, Paragraph 1, Sentence 2, Item 8 in conjunction with Section 245 of the German Stock Corporation Act, shareholders connected to the Annual General Meeting electronically may file objections to resolutions passed by the Annual General Meeting for the minutes taken by the notary public via electronic communication. Objections may be filed via the online service at www.rwe.com/agm from the beginning to the end of the Annual General Meeting.

#### Other publications and supplementary information

This Invitation to the Annual General Meeting, the documents and information that must be made available, further commentary on shareholder rights pursuant to Section 122, Paragraph 2; Section 126, Paragraph 1; Section 127; Section 130a; Section 131, Paragraph 1; Section 118a, Paragraph 1, Sentence 2, Item 8 in conjunction with Section 245 of the German Stock Corporation Act as well as supplementary information related to the Annual General Meeting are available on the Company's website at www.rwe.com/agm. The results of the votes will also be published there after the Annual General Meeting.

#### Data privacy notice

Personal data will be processed to prepare and conduct the Annual General Meeting of RWE Aktiengesellschaft. Details can be found on the Company's website at www.rwe.com/agm/data-privacy.

# III. Reports and further information on items on the Agenda

1 Information on candidates for membership of the Supervisory Board (regarding Item 6 on the Agenda)



**Dr. Frank Appel,** Königswinter, Germany Born 1961 in Hamburg, Germany Nationality: German Not a member of the Supervisory Board of RWE Aktiengesellschaft so far

Chairman of the Supervisory Board of Deutsche Telekom AG

#### Education:

Degree in chemistry from the University of Munich, Germany; doctorate from ETH Zürich, Switzerland

#### Career path:

02/2008 - 05/2023	Chairman of the Board of Management of Deutsche Post AG,
	Bonn, Germany
11/2002 - 05/2023	Member of the Board of Management of Deutsche Post AG,
	Bonn, Germany
2000 - 2002	Head of Corporate Development, Deutsche Post AG,
	Bonn, Germany
1999 - 2000	Partner, McKinsey & Company
1993 - 1999	Consultant and Project Manager, McKinsey & Company

Memberships of other mandatory supervisory boards:

- Chairman of the Supervisory Board of Deutsche Telekom AG (listed)
- Member of the Supervisory Board of Fresenius Management SE (not listed)

Memberships of comparable domestic and foreign supervisory bodies of commercial enterprises:

None

- Leadership experience
- Strategy
- International experience
- Sustainability



**Ute Gerbaulet,** Bielefeld, Germany
Born 1968 in Jülich, Germany
Nationality: German
Member of the Supervisory Board of RWE Aktiengesellschaft since 27 April 2017

Personally Liable Partner, Dr. August Oetker KG

#### Education:

Studied business administration at the University of Saarland, Saarbrücken, Germany, and at the University of Michigan Business School, Ann Arbor, USA

#### Career path:

Career path:	
Since 12/2021	Personally Liable Partner, Dr. August Oetker KG
06/2021 - 11/2021	Chief Financial Officer and Fully Authorised Representative,
	Dr. August Oetker KG
2017 - 09/2021	Personally Liable Partner, Bankhaus Lampe KG
2013 - 2016	Member of the Enlarged Board of Directors, Bankhaus Lampe $KG$
2007 - 2012	Global Head of Equity Capital Markets, Commerzbank AG
2003 - 2007	Head of Equity Capital Markets, WestLB AG
1993 - 2002	Investment Banking/Equity & Debt Capital Markets, WestLB AG

Memberships of other mandatory supervisory boards:

Member of the Supervisory Board of Flaschenpost SE (not listed, group mandate of Dr. August Oetker KG)

Memberships of comparable domestic and foreign supervisory bodies of commercial enterprises:

- Chairwoman of the Advisory Board of Dr. August Oetker Nahrungsmittel KG (not listed, group mandate of Dr. August Oetker KG)
- Chairwoman of the Advisory Board of OEDIV Oetker Daten- und Informationsverarbeitung KG (not listed, group mandate of Dr. August Oetker KG)
- Chairwoman of the Advisory Board of Oetker Digital GmbH (not listed, group mandate of Dr. August Oetker KG)
- Member of the Advisory Board of Radeberger Gruppe KG (not listed, group mandate of Dr. August Oetker KG)
- Member of the Administrative Council of NRW.Bank AöR (not listed)

- General energy expertise (green electricity generation, energy trading and conventional electricity generation)
- Leadership experience
- Expertise in the fields of accounting and financial statement audits
- In-depth knowledge and experience regarding the application of accounting principles and internal control processes
- Appropriate expertise relating to co-determination matters



**Prof. Jörg Rocholl, PhD,** Berlin, Germany
Born 1973 in Soest, Germany
Nationality: German
Not a member of the Supervisory Board of RWE Aktiengesellschaft so far

President of the European School of Management and Technology (ESMT Berlin)

#### Education:

Studied economics at the University of Witten-Herdecke, Germany; doctorate in finance and economics from Columbia Business School, New York, USA

#### Career path:

Since 07/2011	President of the Europ	ean School of Manac	ement and Tech-
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nology (ESMT Berlin)

09/2010 - 10/2012 Dean of ESMT Berlin

Since 09/2010 Professor at ESMT Berlin, holder of the EY Chair for Governance

and Compliance (until 06/2019) and the Deutsche Bank professorship in Sustainable Finance (since 09/2022)

07/2007 - 08/2010 Associate Professor at ESMT Berlin

2003 - 2007 Assistant Professor at the Kenan-Flagler Business School of

the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, USA

1998 - 1999 Mergers & Acquisitions, Deutsche Morgan Grenfell, New York,

and Equity Capital Markets, Deutsche Bank, Frankfurt, Germany

1998 Boston Consulting Group, Frankfurt, Germany, and London, UK

1992 - 1994 Deutsche Bank

Memberships of other mandatory supervisory boards: None

Memberships of comparable domestic and foreign supervisory bodies of commercial enterprises

None

- Sustainability
- Leadership experience
- International experience
- Accounting/financial statement audits
- HR expertise



**Thomas Westphal,** Dortmund, Germany
Born 1967 in Lübeck, Germany
Nationality: German
Not a member of the Supervisory Board of RWE Aktiengesellschaft so far

Mayor of the City of Dortmund, Germany

#### Education:

Trained administrative clerk of the Schleswig-Holstein Police Administration; degree in economics from the Hamburg University of Economics and Politics

#### Career path:

Career path:	
Since 11/2020	Mayor of the City of Dortmund, Germany
10/2013 - 10/2020	Managing Director of Wirtschaftsförderung Dortmund
01/2011 - 09/2013	Managing Director of Wirtschaftsförderung metropoleruhr
01/2008 - 12/2010	Managing Director of Business Development
	Wincanton GmbH
07/2004 - 12/2007	Sales Director at Rhenus AG
05/1999 - 06/2004	Member of the Board of Directors of SCI Verkehr GmbH
03/1996 - 04/1999	Consultant at ISA Consult
08/1985 - 07/1989	Administrative Clerk of the State of Schleswig-Holstein

Memberships of other mandatory supervisory boards:

- Chairman of the Supervisory Board of Dortmunder Stadtwerke Holding GmbH (not listed, group mandate of the City of Dortmund)
- Chairman of the Supervisory Board of Dortmunder Stadtwerke AG (not listed, group mandate of the City of Dortmund)
- Chairman of the Supervisory Board of Dortmunder Energie- und Wasserversorgung GmbH (not listed, group mandate of the City of Dortmund)
- Chairman of the Supervisory Board of KEB Holding AG (not listed, group mandate of the City of Dortmund)

Memberships of comparable domestic and foreign supervisory bodies of commercial enterprises:

- Member of the Supervisory Board of Klinikum Dortmund gGmbH (not listed, group mandate of the City of Dortmund)
- Member of the Supervisory Board of Schüchtermann-Schiller'schen Kliniken Bad Rothenfelde GmbH & Co. KG (not listed)
- Chairman of the Administrative Board of Sparkasse Dortmund (not listed)

- Energy sector
- Strategy
- Leadership experience
- Accounting/financial statement audits
- HR expertise
- Familiarity with the public sector

#### 2 Remuneration Report (Item 7 on the Agenda)

RWE Aktiengesellschaft Essen

#### **2023 Remuneration Report**

This Remuneration Report has been prepared by the Executive Board and the Supervisory Board of RWE Aktiengesellschaft. It complies with Section 162 of the German Stock Corporation Act. The Remuneration Report provides a clear and intelligible presentation and provides commentary on the remuneration granted and due current and former members of the Executive Board and Supervisory Board of RWE Aktiengesellschaft.

Detailed information on the remuneration system for the members of the Executive Board and Supervisory Board of RWE Aktiengesellschaft can be found on the Company's website at <a href="https://www.rwe.com/remuneration">www.rwe.com/remuneration</a>.

Rounding may result in some of the figures in this report not adding up to the sum totals stated precisely and percentages not accurately reflecting the numbers to which they refer.

#### A. Summary review of the 2023 fiscal year

**Review of fiscal 2023.** The past fiscal year was challenging in various respects and was still characterised by the energy crisis. We reactivated three of our lignite units following a directive issued by the German government in the winter of 2023/2024. Their deployment expires at the end of March 2024, at which time we will shut them down for good. Our last German nuclear power station was taken offline on 15 April 2023. The government had prolonged its service life in order to ensure security of supply in the winter of 2022/2023.

Overall, we put in a successful business performance last year. In July 2023, we raised the earnings forecast we had published at the beginning of the year and exceeded it yet again at the end of the year. The main reason was higher income from international power production and our strong trading business. Another major driver of earnings growth was the increase in renewable generation capacity. Our adjusted EBITDA amounted to &8.4 billion (+33% versus 2022) and our adjusted net income totalled &4.5 billion (+39%). We invested &10.0 billion in the financial year that just ended, spending the lion's share on wind and solar projects in Europe and the USA. In sum, we expanded our renewables portfolio from 13.3 GW to 17.5 GW.

Concurrently, we continued to develop the Group strategically. We completed the acquisition of Con Edison Clean Energy Businesses, Inc. in March 2023, having announced it in October 2022. This gives us leading positions in all our core regions – in the EU, the United Kingdom and the USA. We also underscored our growth ambitions by acquiring a British and Polish

solar developer. In addition, we placed the winning bids in several offshore wind auctions, securing purchase agreements in both the USA and Ireland. In Japan, a consortium consisting of RWE, Mitsui and Osaka Gas was selected by the government to set up an offshore wind farm off the country's western coast. The three partners have been given permission to sell the generated electricity without restrictions. Moreover, we secured ocean areas for an offshore wind farm in the German North Sea through a tender procedure.

We revised our Growing Green strategy and are now pursuing an even more ambitious course for growth than before. Our new plan envisages net investments of approximately €55 billion through to 2030 to increase our green generation capacity from some 35.5 GW (prorata) today to over 65 GW. We intend to increase adjusted EBITDA in the core business to about €9 billion by 2030.

We made progress in decarbonising the Group. Last year, we reduced our carbon dioxide emissions by 22.4 million metric tons (-27% versus 2022). For the first time in RWE's corporate history, we produced more electricity from renewable sources of energy (35%) than from coal (29%). Our actions are in line with the Paris climate targets that seek to limit global warming to 1.5 degrees Celsius. We expect the independent Science Based Targets Initiative to confirm this officially soon. RWE wants to make its electricity generation climate neutral by 2040.

Thanks to the strong operating performance, the Executive Board overachieved both the financial and non-financial goals set for 2023. This is reflected in the Executive Board's variable remuneration.

**Vote on the 2022 Remuneration Report.** The Remuneration Report for fiscal 2022 was approved by a 92.81% majority of the Annual General Meeting on 4 May 2023. We generally received positive feedback on our Remuneration Report. Suggestions for improvement from our investors motivated us to make amendments to this Remuneration Report. For instance, the comparison drawn to assess the appropriateness of Executive Board remuneration in chapter B.3 was made even more transparent.

**Changes in personnel on the Executive and Supervisory Boards.** Katja van Doren was appointed Chief Human Resources Officer and Labour Director of RWE AG with effect from 1 August 2023. She succeeded Zvezdana Seeger, who retired from the Executive Board as of the same date and left the Company on expiry of her contract on 31 October 2023.

There were no changes in personnel on the Supervisory Board of RWE AG in fiscal 2023. Dr. Erhard Schipporeit resigned from his office as Chairman of the corporate body's Audit Committee with effect from the end of the day on 15 March 2023 after a seven-year tenure. At its meeting on 15 March 2023, the Supervisory Board appointed Mag. Dr. h. c. Monika Kirchner his successor with effect from 16 March 2023.

#### B. Executive Board member remuneration

#### **B.1** Principles of Executive Board remuneration

Alignment with strategy and sustainability. The Supervisory Board ensured that the Executive Board's remuneration system is in line with the motto 'Our energy for a sustainable life' and the strategy of the RWE Group. The remuneration system thus makes a major contribution to ensuring sustainable corporate governance that is successful over the long term and increasing the Company's value in two respects. It serves as a central management tool for bringing Executive Board remuneration in line with the interests of the Company, its shareholders and other stakeholders while providing important stimulus for implementing the Company's business policy. The following key figures are used as management parameters.

- Success is measured, inter alia, based on key financial figures such as adjusted income before interest and taxes (adjusted EBIT) as well as adjusted net income.
   These key figures, which RWE also uses to manage operating activities, are considered to be key performance indicators for the variable remuneration of the Executive Board.
- The degree to which RWE meets the standards it imposes on its entrepreneurial responsibility is reflected by the degree to which its goals in relation to corporate social responsibility and environmental social governance (CSR/ESG) are achieved.
   These objectives are factored into the variable remuneration of the Executive Board.
- In addition, the increase of the Group's value over the long term is incentivised.
   Long-term performance-based remuneration is linked to both the financial
   (earnings and total shareholder return) and non-financial (CO<sub>2</sub> reduction of the
   power plants) performance of the Group and is strongly oriented towards the
   development of RWE's share price.

The Supervisory Board always reviews these key financials when determining variable remuneration and adjusts them only in the event of extraordinary developments (cf. Company bonus in chapter B.6.1 and Share-based payment: Long-Term Incentive programme (LTIP) in chapter B.6.2).

The remuneration system aims for a high level of consistency within the RWE Group.

This means that similar incentives and goals are set for the Executive Board, executives and other employee groups in order to ensure cooperation aiming for the Company's long-term, sustainable success across all levels.

**Appropriateness of remuneration.** The Supervisory Board determines the structure and level of Executive Board remuneration and reviews it to determine whether it is appropriate and in line with market principles both on a regular basis and whenever occasioned. The Supervisory Board receives the assistance of an external, independent remuneration expert when necessary.

Appropriateness is mainly assessed based on the tasks of the Executive Board members, their personal performance, their experience, the Company's financial position, and the strategic and economic prospects of the RWE Group. The level, structure and details of management board remuneration in similar companies (peer group) are considered to ensure that remuneration is in line with the market and appropriate given the competitive environment. The peer group used for comparison encompasses all companies listed in the German blue chip index (DAX) and − in view of the international orientation of the RWE Group − a selection of similar companies in the STOXX Europe 600 Utilities. The following STOXX Europe 600 Utilities companies, all of which achieved at least €10 billion in revenues and employed at least 10,000 people, were considered: A2A S.p.A; Centrica plc; E.ON SE; EDP - Energias de Portugal, SA; Enel S.p.A.; Engie SA; Iberdrola S.A.; National Grid plc; SSE plc and Veolia S.A.

Moreover, the level of Executive Board remuneration and its development are subjected to an annual intragroup comparison with the remuneration and employment conditions of three peer groups (vertical comparison): (1) the top management level, i.e. the department heads of RWE Aktiengesellschaft who report directly to the Executive Board of RWE Aktiengesellschaft as well as the managing board members and managing directors of the subsidiaries in which the operating divisions are pooled, (2) the Group's other managerial staff and executives in Germany, and (3) the Group's remaining workforce in Germany.

### Remuneration system at a glance

			Consideration in the remuneration system				
ion	Base remuneration		Annual fixed salary p	paid in twelve monthly instalments			
Fixed remuneration	Fringe benefits	Competitive fixed remuneration to recruit and retain the best available candidates for the Group		remuneration such as company car usage, accident and expenditure on security measures			
rem	Pension instalment			ch fiscal year of service of an Executive Board member or conversion to pension commitment of equal value			
			Plan type	Target bonus			
ration	Bonus	Performance-based incentivisation to promote successful annual business performance and governance	Performance targets	<ul> <li>Adjusted EBIT (0% - 150% target achievement)</li> <li>Individual performance factor (0.8 - 1.2) for individual goals, collective goals &amp; performance in the areas of CSR/ESG and employee motivation</li> </ul>			
mune			Payment	In cash on conclusion of every fiscal year (0% - 180% of the target amount)			
<u>e</u> <u>r</u> e			Plan type	Performance shares (virtual)			
Variable remuneration	Share-based payment (LTIP)  Incentivization to promote the company's sustainable success taking account of financial and non-financial	Performance targets	<ul> <li>1/3: Adjusted net income</li> <li>1/3: Relative total shareholder return (TSR)</li> <li>1/3: Carbon footprint of the power plant fleet</li> </ul>				
	)	stakeholder interests	Payment	In cash on conclusion of the four-year term (0% - 200% of the target amount)			
	Malus & clawback	Ensure dutiful and orderly corporate governance as well as appropriate risk management					
Sha	re Ownership Guideline (SOG)	Bring Executive Board remuneration more in line with shareholder interests and increasing the company's value over the long term	ests 100 % of gross base remuneration for the ordinary members of the Executive Box				
Ве	enefits on termination of the contract	Appropriate consideration of the interests of both contracting parties	Limitation of severance pay in the event of the early termination of the Executive Board office to no more than two annual total remunerations including fringe benefits, capped at the value of the benefits over the remaining term of the contract				

The current Executive Board remuneration system has been in force since 1 January 2021 and was approved by a 93.19% majority of the Annual General Meeting on 28 April 2021. The remuneration of the Executive Board members encompasses fixed, non-performance-based remuneration components made up of the base remuneration, fringe benefits and the pension instalment. It also includes performance-based, variable remuneration components comprising a short-term component in the form of a bonus and a long-term component in the form of the Long Term Incentive Programme (LTIP). Variable remuneration primarily reflects the Company's economic development, its progress in terms of sustainability, and the individual performance of the Executive Board members. When selecting the performance criteria, the Supervisory Board ensured that they can be clearly measured and form part of the Company's strategy.

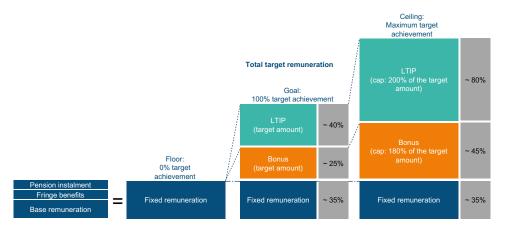
The Supervisory Board establishes the individual performance targets for the impending assessment period. In doing so, it ensures that the targets set are both ambitious and realistic.

The degree to which a target is achieved determines the level of variable remuneration, which is capped and is forfeited if the target is missed. If targets are achieved to a degree of exactly 100%, variable remuneration and fixed remuneration make up what is referred to as total target remuneration.

Long-term targets are weighted more than short-term targets. Therefore, weighting is also oriented towards the Company's sustainable and long-term development.

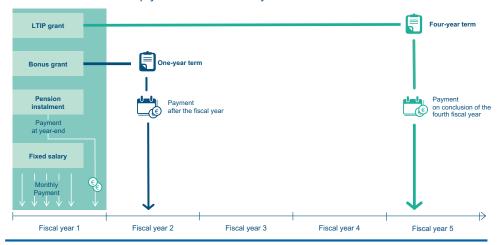
This results in the following structure and range of remuneration:

Range of Executive Board remuneration



Base remuneration and fringe benefits are components of fixed remuneration and paid on a monthly basis, while the pension instalment is paid as a one-off payment at the end of the calendar year. The bonus is paid once the fiscal year has ended and the achievement of the performance targets has been measured. The LTIP payment is made to the Executive Board members at the beginning of the year following the end of the four-year term.

Executive Board remuneration payment timeline for a fiscal year



Further information and details on the Executive Board remuneration system are available at <a href="https://www.rwe.com/remuneration">www.rwe.com/remuneration</a>.

#### B.3 Recipients of Executive Board remuneration

In the past fiscal year, Dr. Markus Krebber, Dr. Michael Müller, Katja van Doren and Zvezdana Seeger received compensation for their work on the Executive Board of RWE Aktiengesellschaft:

- Dr. Markus Krebber has been the Chairman of the Executive Board of RWE Aktiengesellschaft since 1 May 2021. He was appointed to the Executive Board as of 1 October 2016; his current appointment ends on 30 June 2026.
- Dr. Michael Müller has been the Chief Financial Officer of RWE Aktiengesellschaft since 1 May 2021. He was appointed to the Executive Board as of 1 November 2020 for an initial term of three years, i.e. until 31 October 2023. At its meeting on 9 December 2022, the Supervisory Board extended the appointment of Dr. Michael Müller by five years, i.e. until 31 October 2028.
- Katja van Doren has been the Chief Human Resources Officer and Labour Director
  of RWE Aktiengesellschaft since 1 August 2023. At the Supervisory Board meeting
  on 9 December 2022, she was appointed by the corporate body to the Executive
  Board for an initial term of three years, i.e. until 31 July 2026.

 Zvezdana Seeger was the Chief HR Officer and Labour Director from 1 November 2020 to 31 July 2023, the date on which her appointment ended. Her contract expired on 31 October 2023. Her successor, Katja van Doren, assisted her as an advisor until 31 October 2023 in order to ensure a smooth transition.

On top of this, former Executive Board members received remuneration during the year under review, e.g. as a monthly company pension or the long-term incentive payment. The remuneration granted to and due them is presented in Section C entitled 'Executive Board member remuneration granted and due' in this Remuneration Report.

#### B.4 Total target remuneration

In line with the remuneration system, the German Stock Corporation Act and the German Corporate Governance Code, the Supervisory Board established the total target remuneration for each Executive Board member.

The Supervisory Board reviewed the appropriateness of the remuneration of Dr. Markus Krebber and Dr. Michael Müller with the assistance of an independent external remuneration advisor. It was found that the remuneration levels justified a raise in each case when compared to the peer group (DAX companies and a selection of companies in the STOXX Europe Utilities 600, cf. Appropriateness of remuneration in chapter B.1).

RWE's international reach, scale and complexity have increased substantially in the last two years. Con Edison Clean Energy Businesses, Inc. was acquired and activities on the American market were expanded with a view to transforming RWE into a leading provider of renewable energy. In addition, the expansion of onshore and offshore operations was accelerated and the lignite phaseout was brought forward to 2030. In doing so, security of supply was maintained at all times. RWE's economic position has improved significantly. By the review's reference date, EBITDA had increased by 73% to 6.3 billion euros compared to fiscal 2021, and share performance was also very positive - both in absolute terms as well as relative to the competition. Taking account of the market comparison and the Company's performance and against the backdrop of the heightened demands placed on the role and tasks of the Chairman of the Executive Board, the Supervisory Board decided to increase the total target remuneration of Dr. Markus Krebber from €4,950,000 to €5,980,000 for a full fiscal year as of 1 May 2023. As a result, compensation paid to the CEO, which was set at the lower end of the peer group range because he became CEO for the first time and had not been adjusted since then, is back in line with the market.

With effect from 1 November 2023, the Supervisory Board also resolved to increase the remuneration of Dr. Michael Müller. In light of the comparison to the market, RWE's financial development and his personal performance, the Supervisory Board decided to increase the total target remuneration of Dr. Michael Müller from €2,730,000 to €3,000,000 for a full

fiscal year with effect from 1 November 2023. The increase in the total target remuneration of Dr. Michael Müller is in line with the market.

The Supervisory Board set the level of total target remuneration for fiscal 2023 for each Executive Board member as follows:

Contractually agreed total target remuneration	Executive Board members in office as of 31 Dec 2023					Executive Board mem- bers who resigned in the fiscal year		
	Dr. Marku	s Krebber	Dr. Micha	el Müller	Katja var	n Doren	Zvezdan	a Seeger
€ '000	2023	2022	2023	2022	2023	2022	2023	2022
Base remuneration	1,417	1,250	694	655	640	-	683	655
Pension instalment	567	500	278	262	256	-	273	262
Fixed remuneration	1,984	1,750	972	917	896		956	917
Short-term performance-based remuneration	1,417	1,250	694	655	640	-	683	655
of which bonus	1,417	1,250	694	655	640	-	683	655
Share-based payment	2,237	1,950	1,110	1,015	1,024	-	1,092	1,015
of which LTIP tranche	2,237	1,950	1,110	1,015	1,024	-	1,092	1,015
Variable remuneration	3,654	3,200	1,804	1,670	1,664	-	1,775	1,670
Total target remuneration	5,638	4,950	2,776	2,587	2,560	_	2,731	2,587

The increases in the remuneration of Dr. Markus Krebber and Dr. Michael Müller have been considered in the total target remuneration prorata temporis. To improve comparability, numbers stated for Katja van Doren (starting on 1 August 2023) and Zvezdana Seeger (until 31 October 2023) refer to a full fiscal year.

#### B.5 Fixed remuneration

**Base remuneration.** The members of the Executive Board of RWE Aktiengesellschaft receive annual base remuneration, which is paid in monthly instalments.

**Fringe benefits.** Non-performance-based remuneration components also include fringe benefits in the form of non-cash and other compensation. They encompass the personal use of company cars, accident insurance premiums and any expenditure on security measures.

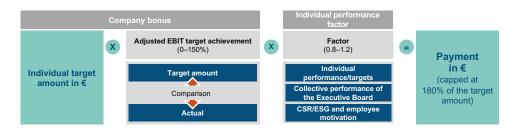
**Pension instalment.** The members of the Executive Board are not entitled to a company pension. Instead, they are granted a pension instalment. The pension instalment is paid in cash or fully or partially converted to a pension commitment fulfilled by making a later pension payment of equal value through a gross compensation conversion. The accumulated capital may be drawn on retirement, but not before the Executive Board member turns 62. When retiring, Executive Board members can choose a one-time payment or a maximum of nine instalments. They and their surviving dependants do not receive any further benefits. Vested retirement benefits from earlier activities within the RWE Group remain unaffected by this.

#### **B.6** Variable remuneration

#### B.6.1 Bonus

**Fundamentals and mechanism.** Executive Board members receive a bonus, which is based on the economic development of the RWE Group and the degree to which they achieve the individual and collective goals of the Executive Board. The bonus of each Executive Board member is calculated by multiplying the company bonus by the individual performance factor. It is limited to 180% of the individual target amount and is paid after the end of the fiscal year.

#### Bonus overview



Fiscal year

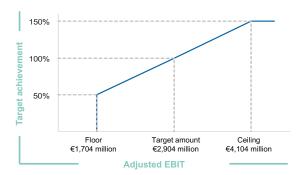
**Company bonus.** The company bonus is the basis for determining the individual bonus. The company bonus depends on adjusted EBIT achieved in the fiscal year.

At the beginning of the fiscal year, the Supervisory Board establishes a target as well as a floor and ceiling for adjusted EBIT taking into account the budget plan for the fiscal year. The adjusted EBIT actually achieved is determined at the end of the fiscal year. In the event of exceptional developments that are not sufficiently considered in the target figures established up front, the Supervisory Board may make modifications to a limited extent and establish an adapted actual figure for adjusted EBIT. This figure may take account of portfolio changes, changes in provisions, impairments, and their ramifications, among other things.

The decisive actual figure determined on this basis is compared to the target figure. If the actual and target figures are a perfect match, the degree of target achievement is 100%. The company bonus then becomes the contractually determined target amount. If the actual figure matches the predefined floor, the degree of target achievement is 50%; no bonus is paid if it falls below the floor. If it matches or exceeds the ceiling, the degree of target achievement is 150%. Actual figures between these end points are calculated by linear interpolation.

At its meeting on 9 December 2022 the Supervisory Board set the target for adjusted EBIT for fiscal 2023 at €2,904 million. A floor of €1,704 million and a ceiling of €4,104 million were established.

#### Adjusted EBIT payment curve



**Individual performance factor.** Based on the company bonus, the individual performance factor determines the level of the bonus paid to each Executive Board member. The performance factor depends on the achievement of the following goals:

- (1) Individual goals
- (2) General collective goals of the Executive Board
- (3) Collective CSR/ESG performance and employee motivation

These three components each have a weighting of 25%. The remaining 25% weighting is distributed among the components at the Supervisory Board's discretion at the beginning of the fiscal year.

The Supervisory Board establishes binding goals and target figures for the three aforementioned performance factor criteria at the beginning of the fiscal year. After the fiscal year, the Supervisory Board assesses the performance of the Executive Board members in the aforementioned categories. In so doing, it uses the extent to which the targets set at the beginning of the year have been achieved. The performance factor derived from all target achievements is limited to between 0.8 and 1.2.

For fiscal 2023, the Supervisory Board assigned equal weightings of 33.33% to the individual goals, the Executive Board's collective goals, and the collective CSR/ESG and employee motivation goals.

**Individual goals in 2023.** The individual goals for fiscal 2023 were defined by the Supervisory Board taking the responsibilities of each Executive Board member into account.

Executive Board member	Individual goals
Dr. Markus Krebber	Position RWE as driver of the energy transition
	Constructive monitoring of developments in energy policy
	> Implementation of the strategy and the sustainability strategy
Dr. Michael Müller	> Successful capital market communications
	Refinement and implementation of the financing strategy
	> Monitoring of the <b>auditor rotation process</b> on behalf of the company
Katja van Doren	Familiarisation with the new role as member of the Executive Board
	Implementation of the IT strategy
	Implementation of the cyber security strategy
	> Implementation of the HR strategy
Zvezdana Seeger	<ul> <li>Provision of assistance to Katja van Doren in familiarising herself with and assuming the responsibilities of her new role</li> </ul>
	> Implementation of the IT strategy
	> Implementation of the cyber security strategy
	> Implementation of the <b>Experisecurity strategy</b>

**Collective goals in 2023.** Besides the individual goals, the Supervisory Board defined the general collective goals of the Executive Board as well as the collective goals with regard to CSR/ESG and employee motivation.

#### General collective goals of the Executive Board

- > Co-operation within the Executive Board team
- Refinement of the Growing Green growth and capital expenditure programme
- Co-operation within the top management team

#### Collective CSR/ESG and employee motivation goals

- Groupwide adherence to compliance standards and the Code of Conduct
- Maintenance of the high occupational safety standard/low accident frequency
- Integration of international environmental and social standards in the supply chain
- Ensure groupwide environmental management
- Complete avoidance of severe environmental events
- > Maintenance of strong employee motivation

**Target achievement.** The actual figure for adjusted EBIT, which is decisive in relation to the company bonus, was €5,815 million last year. The Supervisory Board made adjustments to the adjusted EBIT actually achieved (€6,349 million) through which exceptional effects, which were not foreseeable when determining the target figure, were neutralised. The main adjustments related to changes in regular depreciation and amortisation caused by impairments.

The decisive actual figure was *increased* to offset the rise in normal depreciation and amortisation in the Hydro/Biomass/Gas segment, which can be traced back to impairments in fiscal 2023.

The decisive actual figure was *reduced* to offset the decrease in normal depreciation and amortisation in the Coal/Nuclear segment. Likewise, minor adjustments were made for individual items including property sales at the Tilbury and Aberthaw sites in the UK as well as capital gains on the sale of wind farms, which had not been budgeted. These items are one-off exceptional effects.

The decisive actual figure for adjusted EBIT of €5,815 million is above the ceiling established for target achievement (€4,104 million). This resulted in a **target achievement of 150%** for fiscal 2023, reaching the limit set by the cap.

Calculation of the 2023 company bonus	Target achiev	ement
	€ million	%
Adjusted EBIT	6,349	_
Modifications	-534	-
<ul> <li>increasing the actual figure, in particular</li> <li>Higher depreciation and amortisation in the Hydro/Biomass/Gas segment due to write-backs</li> <li>educing the actual figure, in particular</li> <li>Lower depreciation and amortisation in the Coal/Nuclear segment due to impairments</li> </ul>		
Decisive actual figure	5,815	221
Target figure	2,904	100
Ceiling	4,104	150
Floor	1,704	50

After the fiscal year, the Supervisory Board evaluated the individual and collective performance of the Executive Board members as well as performance in terms of CSR/ESG and employee motivation and reached the following conclusions:

**Dr. Markus Krebber** clearly exceeded his individual targets (140%). The Company significantly increased its capital expenditure on renewable energy once again. RWE is perceived as a driver of the energy transition and is thus actively contributing to managing the energy and climate crisis. RWE monitored developments in energy policy constructively and made proactive contributions to managing the ongoing energy crisis. The approved strategy and adopted sustainability strategy were rolled out with resolve and developed further.

**Dr. Michael Müller** also exceeded his individual targets (130%). The high level of trust placed by the capital market in the Growing Green and sustainability strategy was reaffirmed in 2023. The Capital Market Day was extremely successful, and RWE's rating was confirmed in a persistently challenging market environment. Moreover, liquidity management was optimised further, while internal processes were reviewed and improved. The process of switching auditors that began in the preceding year was supported and monitored very efficiently by Dr. Michael Müller.

**Katja van Doren** also exceeded her individual targets (130%). She familiarised herself with her new role extremely quickly. In so doing, she implemented the IT strategy very efficiently and successfully while launching a project for the integration of artificial intelligence. The transition to a new SAP technology was advanced further within the Group. The rollout of the cyber security strategy was also spurred with great success. The HR strategy, a new top talent programme, and employer branding were all implemented extremely successfully. By way of example, the employer branding campaign was nominated for the renowned RAD award.

**Zvezdana Seeger** also exceeded her individual targets (130%). She handed over her function to Katja van Doren seamlessly and was of the best possible assistance in the transition. She was responsible for the implementation of the IT and cyber security strategies until she resigned from her office on the Executive Board and paved the way for them successfully. Moreover, she initiated and implemented the HR strategy, the top talent programme, and the employer branding campaign extremely successfully.

The Executive Board overachieved its **collective goals** (130%). A major highlight is the refinement of the Growing Green growth and capital expenditure programme with much more ambitious goals and very successful communication with and feedback from the market. Collaboration among the team on the Executive Board and within the top management team in a persistently difficult market environment in 2023 contributed to the high degree of target achievement. This is also reflected in the unusually high engagement index of the top-flight management team.

The high level of **employee motivation** from the past two years was raised even further in the year under review and is far above the market average. This enabled the Executive Board to exceed its targets. In the **CSR/ESG area**, all goals relating to adherence to compliance and social standards in the supply chain were fully achieved, while the Code of Conduct was adhered to. Serious environmental incidents were avoided. However, an audit of the environmental management system provided suggestions for improvement, as a result of which the target in this area was barely missed. The targets of maintaining the high occupational safety standards as well as the accident and lost-time incident quotas were overachieved. Overall, the degree to which **CSR/ESG and employee motivation** goals were achieved was 108%.

Based on the weighting established for fiscal 2023 (33.33% each for the individual targets), the Executive Board's general collective targets, and the collective targets in relation to CSR/ESG and employee motivation), the individual performance factor for all Executive Board members was 1.2.

As set out above, the company bonus and the individual performance factor are the basis for calculating the individual bonus amounts shown in the table.

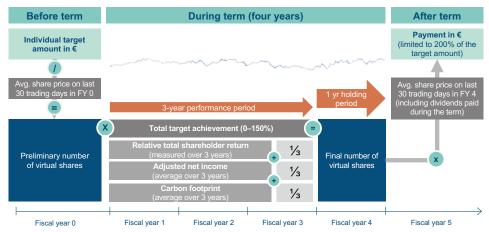
Calculation of the individual bonus for		Dr. Markus Krebber	Dr. Michael Müller	Katja van Doren	Zvezdana Seeger
fiscal 2023					
Target amount	€ '000	1,417	694	267	569
Target achievement for adjusted EBIT	%	150	150	150	150
Company bonus	€ '000	2,126	1,041	401	854
Individual performance factor		1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2
Individual bonus	€ '000	2,550	1,249	480	1,024

#### B.6.2 Share-based payment: Long-Term Incentive Programme (LTIP)

**Fundamentals and mechanism.** Share-based payment, the LTIP, reflects RWE's sustainable and long-term development. One of the main tasks consists of contributing to achieve national and international climate goals through continuous emission reductions. RWE is pursuing the strategic goal of becoming carbon neutral by no later than 2040. The LTIP provides incentives for the successful implementation of the business strategy by linking remuneration to the absolute development of the share price, the total shareholder return relative to the competition (relative total shareholder return), the development of adjusted net income, and the reduction of the power plant fleet's carbon footprint.

The LTIP is based on virtual shares. At the beginning of every fiscal year, a new tranche of virtual shares with a term of four years is issued to the Executive Board members under the LTIP. During this term, the Company's performance in the first three years (performance period) affects the number of virtual shares. To determine the preliminary number of virtual shares, the grant amount determined individually for every Executive Board member is divided by the average closing quotation of the RWE share in Xetra trading on the 30 stock exchange trading days leading up to the beginning of the performance period. After the three-year performance period, the final number of virtual shares is calculated based on the average degree to which the three equally weighted performance targets relative total shareholder return, adjusted net income and carbon footprint - are achieved. To this end, the total target achievement is multiplied by the preliminary number of virtual shares in order to calculate the final number of virtual shares. The three-year performance period is followed by a one-year holding period. After the holding period, the final number of virtual shares is multiplied by the average closing quotation of the RWE share in Xetra trading on the 30 stock exchange trading days leading up to the end of the four-year term starting on the grant date plus the dividends paid during the term, in order to determine the amount paid. This payment is made to the Executive Board members in cash. The amount paid can range between 0% and 200% of the grant amount originally established. The Supervisory Board may further limit remuneration from the LTIP in the event of extraordinary developments.

#### LTIP overview

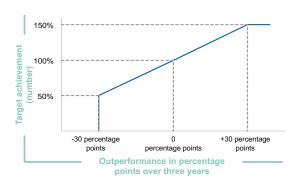


Performance relative to each target is measured as follows:

**Relative total shareholder return (TSR).** With a weighting of one-third, the TSR of RWE Aktiengesellschaft (RWE TSR) relative to companies included in the STOXX Europe 600 Utilities determines the final number of virtual shares. The TSR reflects the development of the share price plus the gross dividends fictitiously reinvested during the three-year performance period. As a result, the development of RWE on the capital market compared to the competition is considered while general market developments are largely disregarded.

The relative performance of RWE Aktiengesellschaft is determined based on the difference in percentage points between the RWE TSR and the TSR of the STOXX Europe 600 Utilities. If the RWE TSR matches that of the Index exactly (identical performance), the degree of target achievement is 100%. If the RWE TSR is 30 percentage points or more below or above the TSR of the Index, the degree of target achievement is 0% in the event of an underachievement and 150% in the event of an overachievement. An outperformance of more than 30 percentage points does not result in a further increase in target achievement. Figures for values between the end points are calculated by linear interpolation.

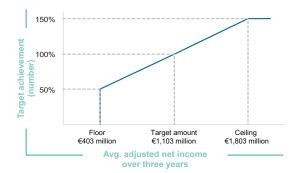
## Relative total shareholder return payment curve



Adjusted net income. With a weighting of another one-third, the final number of virtual shares depends on average adjusted net income over three years, for which the Supervisory Board establishes a target figure derived from the medium-term plan as well as a floor and ceiling. Average adjusted net income is determined after the three-year performance period. In the event of exceptional developments that were not known or foreseeable when the target figures were established and could thus not be considered sufficiently in the target figures, the Supervisory Board may make modifications to a limited extent and establish a modified actual figure for average adjusted net income. This figure may take account of the effects of capital measures, portfolio changes and changes in the regulatory environment, among other things. The decisive actual figure determined on this basis is compared to the target figure. If the actual and target figures are a perfect match, the degree of target achievement is 100%. If the actual figure matches the floor exactly (target figure - X), the degree of target achievement is 50%. If the actual figure matches the ceiling exactly (target figure + X), the degree of target achievement is 150%. If the actual figure is below the floor. the degree of target achievement is 0%. If the ceiling is exceeded, however, the degree of target achievement is not increased beyond 150%. Figures for values between the end points are calculated by linear interpolation.

The target figure of  $\[ \le \]$ 1,103 million for the 2023 tranche was established as an average over three years by the Supervisory Board at its meeting on 9 December 2022. As in the previous year, the difference between the floor and the ceiling was set at  $\[ \le \]$ 700 million. Accordingly, the floor set was 'target figure -  $\[ \le \]$ 700 million' ( $\[ \le \]$ 403 million), and the ceiling was 'target figure +  $\[ \le \]$ 700 million' ( $\[ \le \]$ 1,803 million).

Adjusted net income payment curve

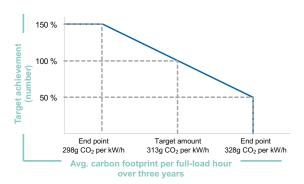


Carbon footprint. The last one-third of the virtual shares is determined based on the average carbon footprint of the Group's power plant fleet over three years. The average carbon footprint is measured in metric tons of carbon dioxide per measured in stalled capacity (mt/MW) for every full-load hour of RWE's power plant fleet, in order to enable an assessment independent of weather- or market-induced load fluctuations. Based on the long-term goal of becoming carbon neutral, milestones and end points deviating upward or downward derived from the medium-term plan are set for every LTIP tranche. The average carbon footprint is determined after the performance period. To improve the informational value of the carbon footprint with respect to operating activities, the Supervisory Board may make very limited modifications and establish a modified actual figure for the average carbon footprint if certain exceptional situations are not sufficiently considered in the established target figures. For instance, this enables account to be taken of the effects of an acquisition or sale of generation assets deviating from the budget, changes in investment plans and changes in the regulatory or political environment leading to deviations from the planned renewable energy expansion roadmap or coal phaseout timeline. The decisive actual figure determined on this basis is compared to the target figure. If the decisive actual figure matches the predetermined target figure exactly, the degree of target achievement is 100%. If the carbon footprint matches the end point 'target figure + X' exactly, the degree of target achievement is 50%. Further increases in the carbon footprint result in a degree of target achievement of 0%. If the carbon footprint matches the end point 'target figure - X' exactly, the degree of target achievement is 150%. Further reductions in the carbon footprint do not result in a further increase in the degree of target achievement beyond 150%. Figures for values between the end points are calculated by linear interpolation.

At its meeting on 9 December 2022, the Supervisory Board set the target figure for the 2023 tranche at 313 g CO2 per kilowatt (0.313 mt/MW) per full-load hour as an average over three years. As in the previous year, the end points were defined as 'target figure -

 $15\,\mathrm{g}$  CO2 per kilowatt per full-load hour' and 'target figure +  $15\,\mathrm{g}$  CO2 per kilowatt per full-load hour.'

#### Carbon footprint payment curve



**Target achievement of the 2021, 2022 and 2023 tranches.** The performance of the individual targets TSR, adjusted net income and carbon footprint is measured as an average over three years. The performance period of the 2022 tranche ends on conclusion of fiscal 2024, and the performance period of the 2023 tranche ends on conclusion of fiscal 2025. Target achievement for the 2022 and 2023 tranches will thus be reported in the remuneration reports for fiscal 2024 and 2025, respectively.

The performance period of the 2021 tranche ended on conclusion of fiscal 2023. The target achievements for the three performance targets relative total shareholder return, adjusted net income and carbon footprint were determined after the fiscal year.

Relative total shareholder return (TSR) of the 2021 tranche. The price of the RWE share plus fictitiously reinvested gross dividends registered a very good development in the performance period of the 2021 tranche, i.e. in 2021, 2022 and 2023. At the beginning of the period, the share price stood at €34.57 after which it rose to €41.18 at the end of the assessment period. In addition, €2.65 per share was paid as a dividend to shareholders. The TSR of the RWE share totalled 27.81%. During the same period, the TSR of STOXX Europe 600 Utilities companies was 14.02%. Therefore, the relative performance of the RWE share was 13.79 percentage points above the TSR of the STOXX Europe 600 Utilities, corresponding to a target achievement of 123%.

Adjusted net income of the 2021 tranche. At its meeting on 11 December 2020, the Supervisory Board set the three-year average target figure for adjusted net income at €1,070 million (floor: €570 million; ceiling: €1,570 million). The decisive actual figure for average adjusted net income during this period was €3,106 million. It differs from average

adjusted net income actually achieved €3,112 million) by modifications to neutralise exceptional effects, which were not foreseeable when determining the target figure. The decisive actual figure was increased in order to compensate for an extraordinary addition to mining provisions made in 2022 that was recognised in the operating result, which was necessary due to the land use decree for the lignite plan for the Rhine water pipeline, among other things. Furthermore, changes in normal depreciation and amortisation due to impairments recognised for the conventional power plant fleet were offset. These value adjustments were made in part owing to the shortening of the lignite phaseout to 2030 and the associated reduction in the remaining service life of the lignite assets. The decisive actual figure was reduced, in particular to eliminate the effects of the acquisition of Con Edison Clean Energy Businesses, Inc., which was completed as of 1 March 2023 and could not be considered when the target figure was established. The positive impact on earnings of the prolonged operation of the Emsland nuclear power station was also offset. In addition, minor adjustments were made for property sales at the Tilbury and Aberthaw sites in the UK and capital gains on the sale of wind farms, which had not been budgeted. These items are one-off exceptional effects.

The decisive actual figure for adjusted net income of  $\mathfrak{S}$ ,106 million is above the established ceiling ( $\mathfrak{S}$ 1,570 million). This results in a **target achievement of 150%** for the 2021 tranche, reaching the limit set by the cap.

Calculation of the target achievement for adjusted net income averaged over three years	Target achievement		
	€ million	%	
Actually achieved adjusted net income	3,112	_	
Modifications	-6	-	
<ul> <li>Extraordinary addition to mining provisions</li> <li>Higher depreciation and amortisation of conventional power plants due to accelerated lignite phaseout</li> <li>reducing the actual figure, in particular</li> <li>Acquisition of Con Edison Clean Energy Businesses, Inc.</li> <li>Prolonged operation of Emsland nuclear power station</li> <li>Property sales and capital gains</li> </ul>			
Decisive actual figure	3,106	304	
Target figure	1,070	100	
Ceiling	1,570	150	
Floor	570	50	

Carbon footprint of the 2021 tranche. At its meeting on 11 December 2020, the Supervisory Board set the target figure for the carbon footprint at 366 g CO $_2$  per kilowatt (0.366 mt/MW) per full-load hour as an average over three years (floor: 372 g CO $_2$  per kilowatt; ceiling: 360 g CO $_2$  per kilowatt). The average decisive actual figure for the carbon footprint from 2021 to 2023 was 368 g CO $_2$  per kilowatt. The Supervisory Board made adjustments to the figure actually achieved (390 g CO $_2$  per kilowatt) through which exceptional effects, which were not foreseeable when determining the target figure, were neutralised. The decisive actual figure was *decreased* in particular to offset the CO $_2$  effects of the temporary continued operation of lignitefired power stations after 1 January 2023 and the reactivation of the lignite power plant units in security standby as ordered by policymakers during the energy crisis.

The decisive actual figure was *increased* in particular to neutralise the  $CO_2$  effects of takeovers, above all the acquisition of Con Edison Clean Energy Businesses, Inc. A further modification was made due to the prolonged operation of the Emsland nuclear power station. The presented target figures for carbon intensity and the decisive actual figure result in a target achievement of 79% for the 2021 tranche.

Calculation of the carbon footprint averaged over three years	Target achievement		
	g CO <sub>2</sub> per kW	%	
Carbon footprint actually achieved	390	_	
Modifications	-22		
<ul> <li>increasing the actual figure, in particular</li> <li>Prolonged operation of Emsland nuclear power station</li> <li>Acquisition of Con Edison Clean Energy Businesses, Inc.</li> </ul> <ul> <li>reducing the actual figure, in particular</li> <li>Temporary continued operation and reactivation of lignite power station units</li> </ul>		_	
Decisive actual figure	368	79	
Target figure	366	100	
Ceiling	360	150	
Floor	372	50	

**Total target achievement of the 2021 tranche.** The target achievements of 123% for the relative total shareholder return (TSR), 150% for adjusted net income, and 79% for the carbon footprint result in a total target achievement of 117% for the 2021 tranche.

Calculation of the target achievement for the 2021 tranche		Relative total shareholder return (TSR)	Adjusted net income	Carbon footprint
Target amount averaged over three years		Same performance as the STOXX Europe 600 Utilities	€1,070 million	366 g CO <sub>2</sub> per kilowatt per full-load hour
Target achievement	%	123	150	79
Weighting		1/3	1/3	1/3
Weighted target achievement	%	41	50	26
Total target achievement	%		117	

#### B.6.3 Share-based payment: Strategic Performance Plan (SPP) for 2016–2020

The 2016–2020 SPP was used prior to fiscal 2021. Analogously to the LTIP, the 2016–2020 SPP was based on virtual shares, the term of which lasted for the fiscal year in question (performance period) and the three following years (holding period). The virtual shares were converted to a euro amount, which was paid out in cash to the members of the Executive Board after a total of four years. The payout amount of the 2020 tranche was established at the close of the 2023 calendar year and was disbursed in early 2024. Therefore, there are no more tranches of the Strategic Performance Plan (SPP) 2016–2020 pending payment.

The number of virtual shares in the SPP is determined by dividing the grant amount determined individually by the RWE share's average closing quotation on Xetra in the 30 trading days prior to the start of the respective four-year term. The grant, however, is conditional. In the SPP, conversion of the conditional virtual shares to the finally granted virtual shares occurs on the basis of adjusted net income. Based on the Company's medium-term plan, the Supervisory Board set the target figures as well as the ceilings and the floors (50% and 150%) for adjusted net income at the start of the fiscal year in question. The target amount of the 2020 SPP trance was established by the Supervisory Board at the beginning of 2021 and corresponded to 104%.

The payout depends on the performance of the RWE share. It corresponds to the number of finally granted virtual shares multiplied by the sum of the RWE share's average closing quotation on Xetra on the 30 trading days prior to the end of the term and the accumulated dividend from the last three years. However, the payout is capped at 200% of the grant amount determined individually.

Members of the Executive Board are obligated to reinvest 25% of the payout amount (after taxes) from the 2016–2020 SPP in RWE shares. The shares must be held until at least the end of the third year after expiration of the term.

# SPP and LTIP tranches in fiscal 2022 of active and retired Executive Board members at a glance

#### Determination of the payment amount

		Grant amount € '000	Opening RWE share price €	number of conditionally granted performance shares	Total target achievement	Number of finally granted performance shares	Closing RWE share price €	Total dividends paid per share €	Payment amount € '000	
2020 SPP tranche*	Dr. Markus Krebber	1,100		41,651		43,317			1,843	
(1 Jan 2020 – 31 Dec 2023)	Dr. Michael Müller	167	26.41	6,311	104%	6,563	€39.89	€2.65	279	
	Zvezdana Seeger	167		6,311		6,563			279	
2021 LTIP tranche*	Dr. Markus Krebber	1,667		48,919		57,235				
(1 Jan 2021 – 31 Dec 2024)	Dr. Michael Müller	1,000	34.07	29,351	117%	34,341	Te	Term ends on 31 Dec 2024		
	Zvezdana Seeger	1,000		29,351		34,341				
2022 LTIP tranche*	Dr. Markus Krebber	1,950		56,505	To be det	ormin od				
(01 Jan 2022 – 31 Dec 2025)	Dr. Michael Müller	1,015	34,51	29,421	after 31 E		Te	erm ends on 31 Dec 20	025	
	Zvezdana Seeger	1,015	•	29,421						
2023 LTIP tranche*	Dr. Markus Krebber	2,237		53,470						
(01 Jan 2023 – 31 Dec 2026)	Dr. Michael Müller	1,110		26,536	To be det		_			
	Katja van Doren	427	41.83	10,200	after 31 D	Dec 2025	Te	erm ends on 31 Dec 20	026	
	Zvezdana Seeger	910		21,755						

<sup>\*</sup>Total target achievement of the SPP (2020 tranche) was determined early, after the end of the first year of the four-year term, in accordance with the remuneration system in effect during these years. Total target achievement of the LTIP (2021, 2022 and 2023 tranches) is an average over three years. Total target achievement for the 2021 tranche was determined on 31 December 2023. For the 2022 and 2023 tranches, it can only be determined after 31 December 2024 (2022 tranche) and 31 December 2025 (2023 tranche).

#### **B.6.4** Malus and clawback provisions

Since 2021, bonuses and tranches of the LTIP have been subject to comprehensive malus and clawback provisions, in order to continue ensuring the sustainable development of the Company and the appropriateness of remuneration.

If the consolidated financial statements prove to contain errors after the performance-linked variable compensation (bonus and LTIP) has been paid, the Supervisory Board may demand that the variable remuneration that has already been paid be returned in part or in full (performance clawback). In the event that an Executive Board member commits a premeditated violation of the Code of Conduct, the Compliance Policy or a duty set forth in their employment contract or commits a serious breach of their duties of care as defined in Section 93 of the German Stock Corporation Act, the Supervisory Board may additionally exercise its discretion to reduce the variable compensation for the fiscal year with which the breach of duty is associated or cancel it entirely (malus) and, if variable compensation has already been paid for a fiscal year with which the breach of duty is associated, to demand that it be repaid in part or in full (compliance clawback).

The tranches of the 2016–2020 SPP are only subject to malus provisions. According to these, the Supervisory Board can sanction inappropriate behaviour by Executive Board members by reducing or completely cancelling ongoing tranches of the SPP. Such inappropriate behaviour is deemed to have occurred if a member of the Executive Board commits a premeditated violation of the Code of Conduct, the Compliance Policy or a duty set forth in their employment contract or commits a serious breach of their duties of care as defined in Section 93 of the German Stock Corporation Act.

During the year under review, there was no reason to apply the malus and clawback provisions.

#### B.7 Share Ownership Guideline (SOG)

To bring Executive Board remuneration more in line with the interests of shareholders, since fiscal 2021 the members of the Executive Board have been obligated to make a personal investment in RWE shares. This involves the Executive Board members investing a sum equal to 200% (Chairman of the Executive Board) and 100% (all other members) of their annual gross base pay (SOG target) in RWE shares and holding the shares for the duration of their term on the Executive Board and two years thereafter. To comply with the SOG, starting with the payments made for fiscal 2021, an annual amount of at least 25% of the paid gross variable remuneration (bonus and LTIP) is invested to acquire enough shares until the SOG

target is achieved. Executive Board members may acquire additional RWE shares to help achieve the SOG target.

The members of the Executive Board fulfilled their annual contractual investment obligations. As of 31 December 2023, the degrees of achievement for each SOG target were as follows:

Executive Board member	SOG target for annual gross base remuneration	Investment of annual gross base remuneration to date	Status
	%		
Dr. Markus Krebber (Chairman)	200	32.1	in accumulation phase
Dr. Michael Müller (ordinary member)	100	81.0	in accumulation phase
Katja van Doren (ordinary member)	100	0.0	in accumulation phase
Zvezdana Seeger (ordinary member) resigned	100	85.1	Holding period (until 31 Oct 2025)

#### **B.8** Other provisions

#### **B.8.1** Remuneration for holding offices

Remuneration that is due Executive Board members for holding offices on supervisory boards of intragroup companies is fully counted towards their fixed remuneration and thus does not increase total remuneration. In the past fiscal year, the members of the Executive Board of RWE Aktiengesellschaft renounced remuneration for exercising offices on boards of subsidiaries. Compensation for holding offices on supervisory boards of other companies in which RWE holds a stake was fully counted towards their fixed remuneration.

#### **B.8.2** Payments from third parties

In fiscal 2023 no payments from third parties were promised or made to the members of the Executive Board in relation to their activities as members of the Executive Board above and beyond this.

#### B.8.3 Early termination of Executive Board office and severance cap

The employment contracts of the members of the Executive Board do not envisage any payment of compensation in the event of early termination of an Executive Board office. Severance payments in the event of early termination of an Executive Board office may not exceed the value of the claims for the remaining term of the contract. Moreover, payments are limited to the amount of two years of total annual remuneration, including fringe benefits (severance cap).

Allocations from the Long Term Incentive Programme granted through to the date of early termination are not paid early.

During the year under review, no payments were granted for the early termination of Executive Board mandates.

#### B.8.4 Compliance with the remuneration cap

In the remuneration system, the Supervisory Board has set the maximum remuneration of the Chairman of the Executive Board at €9,300,000.00 and the maximum remuneration of each ordinary member of the Executive Board at €4,800,000.00. Maximum remuneration encompasses all remuneration components for the fiscal year in question. In reviewing compliance with the maximum remuneration for fiscal 2023, the 2023 LTIP tranche must also be taken into account, even though it will only be possible to determine the amount of payment after the end of fiscal 2026. Accordingly, the amount of all remuneration components which were granted for fiscal 2023 can only be determined after the end of fiscal 2026. The Remuneration Report for fiscal 2026 will provide information on the final review of compliance with the maximum remuneration for fiscal 2023.

#### **B.8.5** Change of control

The current version of the German Corporate Governance Code, which is dated 28 April 2022, proposes that no payments be made due to early termination of an employment contract by an Executive Board member as a result of a change of control. RWE follows this principle in the employment contracts concluded with the members of the Executive Board.

#### C. Executive Board member remuneration granted and due

The following table presents the remuneration granted and due the members of the Executive Board in fiscal 2023 and 2022, pursuant to Section 162, Paragraph 1, Sentence 1 of the German Stock Corporation Act. It discloses all fixed and variable remuneration components as well as their relative shares in total remuneration (TR).

The amounts of the payments for the bonus for 2023 and the 2020 SPP tranche are assigned to fiscal 2023, while the amounts of the payments for the bonus for 2022 and the 2019 SPP tranche are assigned to fiscal 2022.

Even though actual payment only occurs after the end of the respective fiscal year, the underlying services had been rendered in full upon the end of the respective fiscal year. The information for determining target achievement - and thus payment - is based on the results and performance established for the respective fiscal year. Presentation in this manner allows for transparent, intelligible reporting, in which period-appropriate relationships between the results for the fiscal year and the remuneration of the Executive Board presented in the Remuneration Report are visible.

Remuneration granted and due	Executive Board members in office as of 31 Dec 2023														Executive Board members who resigned in the fiscal year			
		Dr. Marku	s Krebber		Dr. Michael Müller					Doren		Zvezdana	Seeger					
	2023		2022		2023	3	2022		2023		2022		2023		2022			
	€ '000	% TR	€ '000	% TR	€ '000	% TR	€ '000	% TR	€ '000	% TR	€ '000	% TR	€ '000	% TR	€ '000	% TR		
Base remuneration	1,417	22	1,250	20	694	27	655	31	267	31	_	_	569	27	655	31		
Fringe benefits	19	0	29	0	24	1	38	2	6	1	_	_	12	1	20	1		
Pension instalment	567	9	500	8	279	11	262	12	107	12		_	228	11	262	12		
Fixed remuneration	2,003	31	1,779	29	997	39	955	45	380	44	_	_	809	38	937	44		
Short-term performance-based remuneration	2,550	40	2,250	36	1,249	49	1,179	55	480	56	_	_	1,024	48	1,179	56		
of which bonus	2,550	40	2,250	36	1,249	49	1,179	55	480	56	_	_	1,024	48	1,179	56		
Share-based payment	1,843	29	2,200	35	279	11	_		-	_	_	_	279	13	-	-		
of which 2020 SPP tranche	1,843	29		_	279	11	_	_	-	_	_	_	279	13	-	-		
of which 2019 SPP tranche	-	-	2,200	35	-	-	_	_	-	_	_	_	-	-	-	-		
Variable remuneration	4,393	69	4,450	71	1,528	61	1,179	55	480	56	-	-	1,303	62	1,179	56		
Total remuneration (TR)	6,396	100	6,229	100	2,525	100	2,134	100	860	100	-	_	2,112	100	2,116	100		

Before the introduction of the pension instalment as of 1 January 2011, a pension commitment was made to the members of the Executive Board. The commitment grants entitlement to life-long retirement benefits. In the event of death, their surviving dependants are entitled to the benefits. In addition, some of them are entitled to LTIP tranches granted during their tenure, which have not been paid yet. In accordance with their respective LTIP entitlements and pension commitments, payments were made to Dr. Rolf Martin Schmitz (€3,052,000) and Alwin Fitting (€355,000) in fiscal 2023. Other former Executive Board members who retired from the Executive Board in the last ten years did not receive any payments.

#### D. Supervisory Board remuneration

#### D.1 Basic principles

Pursuant to Section 113, Paragraph 3, Sentences 1 and 2 of the German Stock Corporation Act, annual general meetings of listed companies must pass a resolution on the remuneration of supervisory board members at least once every four years. The Annual General Meeting of RWE passed the most recent resolution to adjust remuneration in 2021. This is set forth in Article 12 of the Articles of Incorporation of RWE Aktiengesellschaft and complies with all of the recommendations and proposals of the 28 April 2022 version of the German Corporate Governance Code.

In the Company's opinion, the remuneration structure, which basically envisages fixed remuneration of the Supervisory Board members, is the best way to do justice to the Supervisory Board's independent monitoring function, which is not oriented towards the Company's short-term performance. Additionally, Supervisory Board members are remunerated for their activity on Supervisory Board committees. This better reflects the increased scope of responsibility and workload.

The Executive Board and the Supervisory Board find that the level of remuneration is appropriate both as such as well as in relation to the supervisory board remuneration of other listed companies in Germany. The appropriateness of the Supervisory Board's remuneration ensures that the Company remains able to recruit candidates with outstanding qualifications to fill positions on the corporate body. The Supervisory Board's remuneration thus contributes to promoting the Company's strategy and developing the Company over the long term.

Above and beyond this, the members of the Supervisory Board have undertaken to purchase RWE shares with 25% of the remuneration granted to them each fiscal year and to hold such for the entire duration of their membership of the Supervisory Board of RWE Aktiengesellschaft (voluntary obligation). This obligation is not enforced if the Supervisory Board members donate at least 85% of their fixed remuneration to the Hans Böckler Foundation in accordance with the guidelines of the German Federation of Trade Unions or pay such sum to their employer to fulfil an obligation set out in their employment contract. If a share of less than 85% of fixed remuneration is donated in such cases, the self-imposed obligation applies to 25% of the portion that has not been donated. This self-imposed obligation is a further means of bringing the interests of the members of the Supervisory Board in line with the Company's long-term, sustainable success.

#### D.2 Structure and level of remuneration

The Chair of the Supervisory Board of RWE Aktiengesellschaft receives annual remuneration of €300,000. The Deputy Chair receives €200,000. The other members of the Supervisory

Board each receive €100,000. Fixed remuneration is paid on a prorated basis after every quarter.

Remuneration for committee activities is paid as follows pursuant to the adjustments made at the 2021 Annual General Meeting: Members of the Audit Committee receive additional remuneration of €60,000, and the Chair of the Audit Committee receives €120,000. Members and Chairpersons of other committees receive additional remuneration of €40,000 and €60,000, respectively, as long as the committee convenes at least once during the fiscal year. By way of derogation, the Chairman of the Supervisory Board and his or her Deputy do not receive any remuneration for their work on the Executive Committee. Furthermore, no separate remuneration is paid for activity on the Nomination Committee or the committee pursuant to Section 27, Paragraph 3 of the German Co-determination Act (Mediation Committee). Remuneration for committee work is paid after every fiscal year.

Members of the Supervisory Board who have been on the Supervisory Board or a committee for only part of a fiscal year shall receive remuneration that is reduced to reflect their tenure during said year.

Supervisory Board members are reimbursed for the expenses incurred in connection with their office. On attending a meeting of the Supervisory Board or one of its committees, at least one per diem of €1,000 is provided for every day of session.

Supervisory Board members who did not relinquish their remuneration met their self-imposed obligation to purchase RWE shares from their respective portion of remuneration for 2022.

#### D.3 Supervisory Board member remuneration granted and due

The following table presents the remuneration granted and due to the members of the Supervisory Board in fiscal 2023 and 2022 pursuant to Section 162, Paragraph 1, Sentence 1 of the German Stock Corporation Act. It discloses all remuneration components as well as their relative shares in total remuneration (TR).

Both the fixed remuneration and the remuneration for committee work which is due the Supervisory Board members for a fiscal year pursuant to the Articles of Incorporation is assigned in full to the fiscal year in question, even though part of the actual payment may be effected after the fiscal year. The key factor in this presentation is that the services in question have been rendered in full at the close of the fiscal year. This allows for transparent, intelligible reporting, in which the services and the remuneration in the fiscal year are presented in a sensible relation to each other.

Remuneration granted and due Supervisory Board members in office during the fiscal year		Fixed remuneration				Remuneration for committee offices					n for offices a	at	Total remuneration			
	2023		202	2022		2023		2022		23	2022		2023		2022	
	€ '000	% TR	€ '000	% TR	€ '000	% TR	€ '000	% TR	€ '000	% TR	€ '000	% TR	€ '000	% TR	€ '000	% TR
Dr. Werner Brandt, Chairman (since Apr 2013, Chairman since Apr 2016)	300	71	300	71	120	29	120	29	-	-	-	-	420	100	420	100
Ralf Sikorski, Deputy Chairman (since Jul 2014; Deputy Chairman since Sep 2021)	200	64	200	61	80	26	80	24	33	11	50	15	313	100	330	100
Michael Bochinsky (since Aug 2018)	100	45	100	47	100	45	100	47	20	9	14	7	220	100	214	100
Sandra Bossemeyer (since Apr 2016)	100	71	100	71	40	29	40	29	-	-	-	-	140	100	140	100
Dr. Hans Bünting (since Apr 2021)	100	56	100	56	80	44	80	44	-	-	-	-	180	100	180	100
Matthias Dürbaum (since Sep 2019)	100	63	100	63	60	38	60	38	-	-	-	-	160	100	160	100
Ute Gerbaulet (since Apr 2017)	100	71	100	71	40	29	40	29	-	-	-	-	140	100	140	100
Prof. DrIng. DrIng. E. h. Hans-Peter Keitel (since Apr 2013)	100	56	100	56	80	44	80	44	-				180	100	180	100
Mag. Dr. h.c. Monika Kircher (since Oct 2016)	100	48	100	63	108	52	60	38	-				208	100	160	100
Thomas Kufen (since Oct 2021)	100	100	100	100	-				-				100	100	100	100
Reiner van Limbeck (since Sep 2021)	100	63	100	63	40	25	40	25	20	13	20	13	160	100	160	100
Harald Louis (since Apr 2016)	100	50	100	50	80	40	80	40	20	10	20	10	200	100	200	100
Dagmar Paasch (since Sep 2021)	100	43	100	44	100	43	100	44	30	13	25	11	230	100	225	100
Dr. Erhard Schipporeit (since Apr 2016)	100	58	100	45	72	42	120	55	-				172	100	220	100
Dirk Schumacher (since Sep 2021)	100	71	100	71	40	29	40	29	-				140	100	140	100
Ullrich Sierau (since Apr 2011)	100	63	100	63	60	38	60	38	-	-	-	-	160	100	160	100

Remuneration granted and due Supervisory Board members in office during the fiscal year	Fixed remuneration				Remuneration for committee offices			Remuneration for offices at subsidiaries*				Total remuneration				
		2023		2022		2023		2022		2023		2	2023		2022	
-	€ '000	% TR	€ '000	% TR	€ '000	% TR	€ '000	% TR	€ '000	% TR	€ '000	% TR	€ '000	% TR	€ '000	% TR
Hauke Stars (since Apr 2021)	100	71	100	71	40	29	40	29	-	-	-	-	140	100	140	100
Helle Valentin (since Apr 2021)	100	71	100	71	40	29	40	29	-				140	100	140	100
Dr. Andreas Wagner (since Sep 2021)	100	100	100	100	-				-				100	100	100	100
Marion Weckes (since Apr 2016)	100	100	100	100	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	100	100	100	100

<sup>\*</sup>Remuneration for offices at subsidiaries is only considered to the extent that it pertains to periods of membership of the Supervisory Board of RWE Aktiengesellschaft.

#### E. Comparative presentation of the annual change in remuneration

The following overview shows the annual change in the remuneration of the members of the Executive Board and Supervisory Board, in the average remuneration of employees based on fulltime equivalents, and in the development of the Company's earnings. The development of the Group's earnings is presented on the basis of the key indicators for managing operating activities, namely adjusted EBIT and adjusted net income as defined by International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS). The development of RWE Aktiengesell-schaft's net profit pursuant to the German Commercial Code is also presented. The total workforce of the RWE Group in Germany (excluding trainees, suspended employment relationships and employees in the Supply & Trading segment) is used as a basis for the presentation of average employee remuneration.

Comparative presentation of remuneration $(\in '000)$	2023	Δ in % yoy	2022	Δ in % yoy	2021	Δ in % yoy	2020	Δ in % yoy	2019
Executive Board members in office as of 31 Dec 2023							_	·	
Dr. Markus Krebber (CEO)	6,396	3	6,229	17	5,333	27	4,207	53	2,750
Dr. Michael Müller (CFO)	2,525	18	2,134	13	1,885	559	286		_
Katja van Doren (Chief HR Officer/Labour Director)	860		-				-		-
Former Executive Board members									
Zvezdana Seeger (until Oct 2023)	2,112	0	2,116	13	1,873	560	284		_
Dr. Rolf Martin Schmitz (until Jun 2021)	3,052	0	3,056	-27	4,167	- 29	5,860	16	5,057
Alwin Fitting (until Mar 2013)	355	3	346	8	320	0	320	1	317
Supervisory Board members in office as of 31 Dec 2023	_								
Dr. Werner Brandt, Chairman									
(since Apr 2013, Chairman since Apr 2016)	420	0	420	0	420	40	300	0	300
Ralf Sikorski, Deputy Chairman (since Jul 2014; Deputy Chairman since Sep 2021)	313	-5	330	21	272	43	190	0	190
Michael Bochinsky (since Aug 2018)	220	3	214	25	171	22	140	0	140
Sandra Bossemeyer (since Apr 2016)	140	0	140	0	140	17	120	0	120
Dr. Hans Bünting (since Apr 2021)	180	0	180	84	98				_
Matthias Dürbaum (since Sep 2019)	160	0	160	10	146	22	120	344	27
Ute Gerbaulet (since Apr 2017)	140	0	140	10	127	27	100	0	100
Prof. DrIng. DrIng. E. h. Hans-Peter Keitel (since Apr 2013)	180	0	180	0	180	50	120	0	120
Mag. Dr. h.c. Monika Kircher (since Oct 2016)	208	30	160	0	160	14	140	8	130
Thomas Kufen (since Oct 2021)	100	0	100	376	21			_	

Comparative presentation of remuneration (€ '000)	2023	Δ in % yoy	2022	Δ in % yoy	2021	Δ in % yoy	2020	Δ in % yoy	2019
Reiner van Limbeck (since Sep 2021)	160	0	160	240	47				_
Harald Louis (since Apr 2016)	200	0	200	17	171	22	140	0	140
Dagmar Paasch (since Sep 2021)	230	2	225	252	64	_	_		_
Dr. Erhard Schipporeit (since Apr 2016)	172	-22	220	0	220	22	180	-54	395
Dirk Schumacher (since Sep 2021)	140	0	140	241	41	-	-	-	-
Ullrich Sierau (since Apr 2011)	160	0	160	0	160	14	140	0	140
Hauke Stars (since Apr 2021)	140	0	140	47	95		_		_
Helle Valentin (since Apr 2021)	140	0	140	47	95	_	_		_
Dr. Andreas Wagner (since Sep 2021)	100	0	100	233	30	_	_		_
Marion Weckes (since Apr 2016)	100	0	100	-30	143	2	140	0	140
Employees									
Average remuneration of the RWE Group's total workforce in Germany excluding the Supply & Trading segment based on full time equivalent	97	7	90	5	86	0	86	0	86
Earnings trend*									
Adjusted EBIT (€ million) (RWE Group as per IFRS)	6,349	39	4,568	109	2,185	23	1,771	40	1,267
Adjusted net income (€ million) (RWE Group as per IFRS)	4,536	40	3,232	106	1,569	29	1,213	_	_
Net profit (€ million) (RWE Aktiengesellschaft as per the German Commercial Code)	1,285	4	1,335	20	1,108	191	580	13	514

<sup>\*</sup> Adjusted net income was not reported for fiscal 2019. Moreover, comparability of figures from various fiscal years is curtailed in some cases as a result of adjustments to reporting.

Essen, 13 March 2024 RWE Aktiengesellschaft

On behalf of the Supervisory Board Dr. Werner Brandt

On behalf of the Executive Board Dr. Markus Krebber, Dr. Michael Müller, Katia van Doren

#### **Auditor's Report**

To RWE Aktiengesellschaft, Essen

We have audited the remuneration report of RWE Aktiengesellschaft, Essen, for the financial year from January 1, 2023 to December 31, 2023 including the related disclosures, which was prepared to comply with § [Article] 162 AktG [Aktiengesetz: German Stock Corporation Act].

#### Responsibilities of the Executive Directors and the Supervisory Board

The executive directors and the supervisory board of RWE Aktiengesellschaft are responsible for the preparation of the remuneration report, including the related disclosures, that complies with the requirements of § 162 AktG. The executive directors and the supervisory board are also responsible for such internal control as they determine is necessary to enable the preparation of a remuneration report, including the related disclosures, that is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

#### **Auditor's Responsibilities**

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on this remuneration report, including the related disclosures, based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with German generally accepted standards for the audit of financial statements promulgated by the Institut der Wirtschaftsprüfer (Institute of Public Auditors in Germany) (IDW). Those standards require that we comply with ethical requirements and plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the remuneration report, including the related disclosures, is free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts including the related disclosures stated in the remuneration report. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgment. This includes the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the remuneration report including the related disclosures, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the

preparation of the remuneration report including the related disclosures. The objective of this is to plan and perform audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the company's internal control. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates made by the executive d irectors and the supervisory board, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of remuneration report including the related disclosures.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

#### **Audit Opinion**

In our opinion, based on the findings of our audit, the remuneration report for the financial year from January 1, 2023 to December 31, 2023, including the related disclosures, complies in all material respects with the accounting provisions of § 162 AktG.

# Reference to an Other Matter - Formal Audit of the Remuneration Report according to § $162 \, \text{AktG}$

The audit of the content of the remuneration report described in this auditor's report includes the formal audit of the remuneration report required by §  $162\,\mathrm{Abs}$ . [paragraph] 3 AktG, including the issuance of a report on this audit. As we express an unqualified audit opinion on the content of the remuneration report, this audit opinion includes that the information required by §  $162\,\mathrm{Abs}$ . 1 and 2 AktG has been disclosed in all material respects in the remuneration report.

#### Restriction on use

We issue this auditor's report on the basis of the engagement agreed with RWE Aktiengesell-schaft. The audit has been performed only for purposes of the company and the auditor's report is solely intended to inform the company as to the results of the audit. Our responsibility for the audit and for our auditor's report is only towards the company in accordance with this engagement. The auditor's report is not intended for any third parties to base any (financial) decisions thereon. We do not assume any responsibility, duty of care or liability towards third parties; no third parties are included in the scope of protection of the underlying engagement. § 334 BGB [Bürgerliches Gesetzbuch: German Civil Code], according to which objections arising from a contract may also be raised against third parties, is not waived.

#### Essen, 13 March 2024

PricewaterhouseCoopers GmbH Wirtschaftsprüfungsgesellschaft

Markus Dittmann Aissata Touré

(German Public Auditor) (German Public Auditor)

#### Essen, Germany, March 2024

# RWE Aktiengesellschaft The Executive Board

The Invitation to the Annual General Meeting has been published in the German Federal Gazette (www.bundesanzeiger.de) dated 14 March 2024.

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