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# PANDOX AB (PUBL) NOTES RECEIPT OF COMPETITION CLEARANCE AND COURT HEARING DATE FOR THE ACQUISITION OF DALATA HOTEL GROUP PLC

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On 15 July 2025, Pandox AB (publ) ("Pandox") and Eiendomsspar AS ("Eiendomsspar") announced, through Pandox Ireland Tuck Limited ("Bidco"), that Dalata Hotel Group plc ("Dalata") and Bidco had agreed the terms of a recommended acquisition for the entire issued and to be issued share capital of Dalata (the "Acquisition") by means of a Court-sanctioned scheme of arrangement under the Irish Companies Act 2014 ("Scheme").

On 12 August 2025, a scheme document containing details of the Acquisition and the notices convening the shareholder meetings to approve the Scheme was mailed to Dalata shareholders (the "Scheme Document").

On 11 September 2025, Dalata announced that its shareholders had voted in favour of all resolutions at each of the shareholder meetings.

Pandox is pleased to announce that it has been notified it has received clearance from the EU Commission for the Acquisition, which is a major step towards completion of the Acquisition. Furthermore, a sanction hearing date for the Scheme, at the High Court of Ireland, has been set for 29 October 2025.

Subject to satisfaction or waiver of the other Conditions set out in the Scheme Document, including the sanction by the Court of the Scheme at the Court Hearing, the Effective Date of the Scheme and closing of the transaction is expected to be early November 2025.

Except as otherwise defined herein, capitalised terms used but not defined in this announcement have the same meaning as given to them in the Scheme Document.



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### **Irish Takeover Rules Statements**

The directors of Pandox (the "Pandox Directors") accept responsibility for the information contained in this announcement. To the best of the knowledge and belief of the Pandox Directors (who have taken all reasonable care to ensure that this is the case), the information contained in this announcement for which they accept responsibility is in accordance with the facts and does not omit anything likely to affect the import of such information.

Under Rule 8.3(b) of the Irish Takeover Panel Act 1997, Takeover Rules 2022 (the "Irish Takeover Rules"), any person 'interested' (directly or indirectly) in 1% or more of any class of 'relevant securities' of Dalata must disclose all 'dealings' in such 'relevant securities' during the 'offer period'. The disclosure of a 'dealing' in 'relevant securities' by a person to whom Rule 8.3(b) applies must be made by no later than 3.30 pm (Irish/UK time) on the business day following the date of the relevant transaction. This requirement will continue until the 'offer period' ends. If two or more persons cooperate on the basis of any agreement either express or tacit, either oral or written, to acquire an 'interest' in 'relevant securities' of the offeree company, they will be deemed to be a single person for the purpose of Rule 8.3 of the Irish Takeover Rules. A dealing disclosure must contain the details specified in Rule 8.6(b) of the Irish Takeover Rules, including details of the dealing concerned and of the person's interests and short positions in any 'relevant securities' of Dalata.

All 'dealings' in 'relevant securities' of Dalata by a bidder, or by any party Acting in Concert with a bidder, must also be disclosed by no later than 12 noon (Irish/UK time) on the 'business' day following the date of the relevant transaction. If two or more persons co-operate on the basis of an agreement, either express or tacit, either oral or written, to acquire for one or more of them an interest in relevant securities, they will be deemed to be a single person for these purposes.



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Disclosure tables, giving details of the companies in whose 'relevant securities' 'opening positions' and 'dealings' should be disclosed, can be found on the Irish Takeover Panel's website at www.irishtakeoverpanel.ie.

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Pursuant to Rule 26.1 of the Irish Takeover Rules, this announcement will be made available on Pandox's website (www.pandox.se/investor-relations) by no later than 12:00 noon on the business day following the date of this announcement.

Neither the content of any such website, nor the content of any other website accessible from hyperlinks on such website, is incorporated into, or forms part of, this announcement.

### Sources of information

Based on the announcement of Total Voting Rights made by Dalata on 1 September 2025, Dalata's issued share capital consists of 211,483,988 ordinary shares of nominal value €0.01 each, with no ordinary shares held in treasury.

# General

The laws of certain jurisdictions may affect the availability of the Acquisition to persons who are not resident in Ireland or the United Kingdom. Persons who are not resident in Ireland or the United Kingdom, or who are subject to laws of any jurisdiction other than Ireland or the United Kingdom, should inform themselves about, and observe, any applicable legal or regulatory requirements. Any failure to comply with any applicable legal or regulatory requirements may constitute a violation of the laws and/or regulations of any such jurisdiction. To the fullest extent permitted by applicable law, the companies and persons involved in the Acquisition disclaim any responsibility and liability for the violation of such restrictions by any person. Further details in relation to overseas shareholders will be contained in the definitive acquisition documents.



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