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PRESS RELEASE

Extraordinary general meeting adopts all resolutions in relation to the recommended Offer by De Gruyter

Leiden, the Netherlands, 1 February 2024 – Today, Brill's extraordinary general meeting of shareholders (the "EGM") adopted all resolutions in relation to the Offer, including with respect to the approval of the Post-Closing Merger, the appointment of the nominated members to the Supervisory Board, the amendment of the Articles of Association and the grant of full and final discharge to the members of both the Management Board and the Supervisory Board.

The resolutions are subject to the conditions precedent as mentioned in the convocation (including the agenda and the explanatory notes thereto) for the EGM and will take effect from the time specified therein, with the exception of the appointment of Mr F. Rodloff and Mr P.W.J. Hendriks as members of the Supervisory Board, which will take effect from the delisting of the Depository Receipts from Euronext.

The voting results of the EGM will be published on Brill's dedicated webpage: <https://brill.com/page/degruyter>. Draft minutes of the EGM will be published no later than three months from the date of this press release.

The Acceptance Period of the Offer expires on 15 February 2024 at 17:40 hours CET (unless extended). Securityholders wishing to tender their Securities should contact their financial intermediary to obtain information about the deadline by which such Securityholder must send instructions to the financial intermediary to accept the Offer, as such deadline may be set at an earlier time than 15 February 2024 at 17:40 hours CET. More information about the Offer and how to tender Securities can be found in the Offer Memorandum and on Brill's dedicated webpage: <https://brill.com/page/degruyter>.

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