



# Antibiotice SA - Press release on the payment of dividends for the financial year 2022

In accordance with the legal provisions on the trading companies and with the decisions adopted at the Ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders held on 27.04.2022, Antibiotice lasi distributes the dividends for the financial year 2021.

Fiscal year	Registration date	Gross dividend (LEI/share)	Payment Commencement Date
2022	13.09.2023	0.00792224	02.10.2023

For the financial year 2022, arrangements have been made for the dividends to be paid to the Antibiotice shareholders registered in the Shareholders Register on 13.09.2023 (exdate 12.09.2023), approved by the General Meeting of Shareholders.

In accordance with the new provisions of the capital market legislation, the dividends distributed by Antibiotice Iasi will be paid through the Central Depository Bucharest, the Participants to the clearing-settlement system and registry (the intermediaries in accordance with ASF Regulation No 5/2018 on issuers of financial instruments and market operations, Article 177 (1), who concluded a participation contract in the Central Depository system) and through the CEC Bank - the paying agent.

# Payment method of dividends:

I. Payment to individual shareholders who do not have securities accounts opened with participants (Section I - Central Depository)

# 1. Cash payments at the CEC Bank counters

For the individual shareholders, the dividends will be paid in cash at the CEC Bank counters as of 02.10.2023.

The individual shareholders who do not have securities accounts will be able to go to any CEC Bank unit, as the dividend payment schedule is the same with the working hours of the respective banking units.

For the individual shareholders, the dividends will be paid as follows:

- <u>Resident individual shareholders</u> based on the identity card containing the Personal Identification Number, valid on the day of payment;
- The non-resident individual shareholders will have to come in person to the counter, the payment will be made based on the passport whose series and number must coincide with the ones in the Central Depository records;
- > <u>To the individual shareholders represented by tutors or curators</u>, the payment will be made based on the following documents:
  - The shareholder's identity card (registered PIN);
  - The document that certifies the capacity of tutor/curator (surname, first name, Personal Identification Number of both shareholder and designee);
  - The tutor's/curator's identity card.

These documents will be submitted in original, a copy of them ("according to the original") being kept by the bank.

- For <u>individual shareholders empowering another person</u>, the dividends will be paid to the empowered person, based upon the following documents:
  - The ID of the empowered person (registered PIN);
  - Special power of attorney certified by a notary (issued no later than 3 years before the date of payment), which includes the shareholder's/ empowered person's last name/first name/PIN.

These documents will be submitted in original, a copy of them ("according to the original") being kept by the bank.

The documents presented in a foreign language will be accompanied by the authorized translation into Romanian, and if they are issued by the foreign authority, they must be authenticated by an apostille or superlegalized, as the case may be.

# 2. Payments by bank transfer in accounts opened in LEI, at a bank in Romania:

The Central Depository provides for all shareholders who hold shares in Section I the option to cash out any amount of money, directly by bank transfer into a bank account. Therefore, natural and legal shareholders in this category who prefer to be paid by bank transfer, may make a formal request to the Central Depository and send the documents necessary for the payment of dividends, as follows:

- o Individual shareholders, directly or through a legal or conventional representative, will submit to the Central Depository the IBAN code collection form, specifying the bank and the account no. (IBAN code) opened on behalf of the holder of financial instruments (a template is available on the Central Depository website <a href="https://www.depozitarulcentral.ro">www.depozitarulcentral.ro</a>), accompanied by:
  - a copy of the valid ID card with a readable personal identification number, certified as a "true copy" by the holder;
  - a bank account statement or a signed and sealed document issued by the bank confirming the existence of the account in the name of the holder of financial instruments, mentioning the IBAN code, in original;
  - the copies of documents proving the capacity of the application's signatory as a legal or conventional representative, if necessary - certified as a "true copies" by the holder;
- Corporate shareholders, through legal or conventional representative, will submit
  to the Central Depository the IBAN code collection form which specifies the bank
  and account no. (IBAN code) opened in the name of the holder of financial
  instruments (a template is available on the Central Depository website www.depozitarulcentral.ro), accompanied by:
  - a copy of the certificate of incorporation certified as a "true copy" by the holder;
  - a copy of the document attesting the capacity of the company's legal representative (an ascertaing certificate issued by the Trade Register/equivalent entity - for foreign entities) certified as a "true copy" by the holder;
  - the copy of documents attesting the capacity of the applicant's conventional representative, if necessary, certified as a "true copy" by the holder;

 a bank account statement or a document issued by the bank (signed and stamped) confirming the existence of the account in the holder's name - legal person, specifying the IBAN code in original;

The documents submitted in a foreign language will be accompanied by a legalized translation in Romanian, and if issued by a foreign authority, they must be authenticated by an apostille or superlegalized, as the case may be.

The requests for payments by bank transfer, together with the aforementioned documents will be submitted to the Central Depository headquarters: Central Depository Bucharest, bd. Carol I no. 34-36, sector 2.

The Central Depository will check the documentation submitted by the shareholders, and if the documentation is not complete, they will demand its completion by contacting the shareholder by phone or e-mail, as indicated in the documentation initially sent.

For legal or natural persons who request the dividends to be paid in a bank account, after the date of 02.10.2022, the Central Depository will give instructions for the payment to be made by bank transfer as far as possible, according to the procedures.

3. Payment to shareholders who have securities accounts opened with the participants - custodian banks or investment firms (SSIFs) (Section II Central Depositary): transfer to the participants' accounts

For legal or natural persons who, at the registration date, hold shares issued by Antibiotice lasi, outlined in Section II of the Register of Shareholders, dividends will be paid automatically on the payment date 02.10.2023, by bank transfer through the Central Depository into the Participants' accounts, without submitting any additional documents.

As regards the collective investment bodies without legal personality, in order to benefit from the dividend tax exemption provided by the Fiscal Code, the Participants (Bank, Custodian or Broker) who have this type of clients in their portfolio, will send to Antibiotice Iași, until 20.09.2023, a list with these clients, accompanied by legal documents certifying that they are pension funds or their investment funds in order to benefit from the tax exemption in accordance with Law no. 296/2020 amending and supplementing Law No 227/2015 on the In the case of investment funds without legal personality, Antibiotice SA lasi requests the Participants / Investment Management Companies / FDI to submit by 20.09.2023 a affidavit signed by the legal representative/person authorized to represent the investment fund without legal personality. This affidavit will include the following information:

- type of investment fund (closed-end/open-end);
- lack of legal personality;
- identification data of the fund (the unique identification / registration code), as evidenced in the Register of Shareholders kept by the Central Depository, with the full name of the investment fund;
- registration number in the Register of Financial Instruments and Investments;
- authorization decision;
- number and date of ASF notification and its validity, as well as any other documents and information deemed necessary;
- a copy of the relevant document attesting that the person signing the declaration is the legal representative/person authorized to represent the fund;
- a copy of the certificate issued by the Financial Supervisory Authority (ASF).

The non-resident shareholders who want a more favorable application of the Convention to avoid the double taxation concluded between Romania and their country of residence or the more favorable provisions applicable to non-resident pension funds (as defined in the legislation of the EU Member State or in one of the EFTA States), will submit to the headquarters of Antibiotice Iasi, until 20.09.2023, the following documents:

- A application in original for applying the most favorable provisions to avoid the double taxation convention, accompanied by:
- The valid tax residence certificate issued by the competent authority from the country of residence for the year in which the payment of dividends takes place (2023), in original or legalized, with apostille / superlegalized copy, if applicable, attesting that the beneficiary of the dividends is a resident of that State in the year of obtaining the income (2023). It has to comprise the identification elements of non-residents, as well as of the authority that issued the tax residence certificate, such as: name, company name, address, fiscal identification code, the specification that he/she is a tax resident in the issuing state and date of issue of the certificate, accompanied by the authorized translation in Romanian and supporting documents containing the contact information (necessary for further clarifications).

Non-residents who have opened custody accounts with custodian agencies, in accordance with the provisions of art. 230, para. 2 of Law no. 227/2015 on the Fiscal Code and the methodological rules for its application, will submit to the custodian agencies the original tax residence certificate or another document issued by an authority, other than the tax authority, which has powers in the field of residence certification according to the internal legislation of that state. The custodian agent, recipient of the original tax residence certificate or the above-mentioned document, will sign on the legalized copy, stating that he/she owns the original. The custodian agent will make an express mention of the requirements imposed, depending on the country of origin, regarding the apostillation/superlegalization of the documents.

If one opts for a <u>Deferred Payment</u> of dividends, the related documents will be submitted by **24.11.2023** at the latest.

# 4. The payment due to deceased shareholders

The dividends due to deceased shareholders will be paid by means of the CEC Bank, only after the registration made by the Central Depository Bucharest of the direct transfer of property, as a result of succession, based upon the request of heirs.

# 5. Dividends whose payment cannot be made through the Central Depository

The dividends due to shareholders whose value does not cover the distribution expenses resulting from payment through the Central Depository, upon the request of the shareholder, will be paid without commission by the cashier at the Antibiotice headquarters in Iaşi, starting with 02.10.2023.

Please note that the dividend payment amount is calculated by rounding to two decimal places, and the <u>bank fees will be paid by Antibiotice SA</u>.

The Company will only recognize the holder of shares who is registered at the Central Depository Bucharest on the registration date of 13.09.2023.

The term in which shareholders may request the payment of dividends due as per the law is 3 years starting from the date of starting their distribution, i.e. 02.10.2026, after this term the extinctive prescription intervenes.

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