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Andrea Cornelius nominated as member of the Board of Directors of St.Galler Kantonalbank

The Board of Directors will propose Dr. Andrea Cornelius for election as a member of the Board of Directors at the Annual General Meeting on 24 April 2019. The expert for digital business models has many years of management experience in international companies. With her profound knowledge of digital technologies and her familiarity with the German market, Andrea Cornelius perfectly strengthens and complements the Board of Directors.

Andrea Cornelius has been a lecturer for Digital Technology, Entrepreneurship and Marketing Management at the Munich University of Applied Sciences since 2018. Before moving to teaching and research, she had been working for IBM in various management positions for 10 years. Most recently, as Vice President and Global Lead Account Partner, she was responsible for international insurance customers and the further development of topics such as artificial intelligence and analytical solutions. Prior to that, Andrea Cornelius worked for international companies such as Allianz, Computer Sciences Corporation CSC and T-Systems Enterprise Services.

Andrea Cornelius was born in 1961, is a German citizen and lives in Wörthsee (DE). She is married and has an adult son. In 1987, she completed her physics studies at the Ruhr-University Bochum and, in 1991, received her doctorate in natural sciences from the University of Hamburg.

Thomas Gutzwiller, Chairman of the Board of Directors of St.Galler Kantonalbank AG: «With her education, her professional background and her familiarity with the German market, Andrea Cornelius perfectly strengthens and complements the Board of Directors of St.Galler Kantonalbank. We will, in particular, benefit from her expertise in the application and development of digital technologies. I am delighted that we were able to win her over to us.»

With Andrea Cornelius, the Board of Directors of St.Galler Kantonalbank AG consists of nine members from 24 April 2019.

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