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## News Release

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### **Bayer proposes increased dividend for 2015 of EUR 2.50 per share**

Total dividend payout rises 11.1 percent to EUR 2,067 million

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**Leverkusen, February 24, 2016** – At its meeting today, the Supervisory Board of Bayer AG approved the Board of Management's recommendation that a dividend payment of EUR 2.50 (2014: EUR 2.25) per share be proposed to the Annual Stockholders' Meeting on April 29, 2016. "2015 was a very good year for Bayer. We would like our stockholders to share appropriately in this success," explained Bayer CEO Dr. Marijn Dekkers. With 826,947,808 shares entitled to the dividend, the total dividend payment would amount to EUR 2,067 million (2014: EUR 1,861 million), an increase of 11.1 percent.

The Bayer Group's consolidated financial statements for 2015 will be presented and discussed at the Financial News Conference on February 25, 2016.

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