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Press release 27 October 2022

## **Ratos completes the recommended cash offer to the shareholders of Semcon and extends the acceptance period**

**On 26 September 2022, Ratos AB (publ) ("Ratos"), announced a recommended public offer to shareholders of Semcon AB (publ) ("Semcon") to tender all shares in Semcon at a price of SEK 157 in cash per share (the "Offer"). At the end of the acceptance period on 27 October 2022, the Offer has been preliminary accepted by shareholders representing 16,983,647 shares in Semcon, corresponding to approximately 96.29 percent of the total numbers of shares and votes in Semcon. Ratos completes the Offer and extends the acceptance period to the 11 November 2022 to provide the remaining shareholders an additional opportunity to accept the Offer.**

### **The outcome of the Offer**

Prior to the announcement of the Offer, Ratos did not own any shares in Semcon. At the end of the acceptance period on 27 October 2022, the Offer has been preliminary accepted by shareholders representing 16,983,647 shares in Semcon, corresponding to approximately 96.29 percent of the total numbers of shares and votes. Ratos will announce the final outcome of the Offer after the initial acceptance period on 28 October 2022.

Ratos has not acquired any shares in Semcon outside the Offer. Ratos does not hold any other financial instruments that provide a financial exposure to Semcon's shares.

### **Completion of the Offer**

Since the Offer has been accepted to the extent that Ratos holds more than 90 percent of the shares in Semcon, all conditions for completion of the Offer has been fulfilled. Accordingly, the Offer is declared unconditional in all respects and Ratos will complete the acquisition of the shares tendered in the Offer.

Settlement for shares tendered in the Offer during the period ending on 27 October 2022 is expected to commence around 2 November 2022.

Ratos intends to initiate compulsory redemption of the remaining shares in Semcon and promote a delisting of the shares in Semcon from Nasdaq Stockholm.

### **Extension of the acceptance period**

In order to give the shareholders who have not accepted the Offer an additional possibility to accept the Offer, Ratos has decided to extend the acceptance period until 11 November 2022 at 17:00 CET. Settlement for shares tendered in the Offer during the extended acceptance period is expected to commence around 17 November 2022.

During the extended acceptance period, Ratos may acquire or agree to acquire shares in Semcon. Such acquisitions and agreements will be made in accordance with applicable Swedish laws and regulations.

### **Advisors**

Ratos has engaged Lazard as financial advisor and KANTER as legal advisor in relation to the Offer.

### **Information regarding the Offer:**

Information about the Offer is available at:

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For administrative questions regarding the Offer, please contact your bank or nominee registered as holder of your shares.

The information in this press release was submitted for publication by Ratos and the abovementioned contact person in accordance with the Swedish Act on Public Takeovers on the Stock Market and the Takeover Rules as well as the EU Market Abuse Regulation. The information was submitted for publication on 27 October 2022 at 18.30 (CEST).

### **Important information**

This press release has been published in Swedish and English. In the event of any discrepancy between the two language versions, the Swedish version shall prevail.

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