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## **Rolling Optics Holding AB resolves on a fully secured rights issue of approximately SEK 18.4 million**

The board of directors of Rolling Optics Holding AB (“Rolling Optics” or the “Company”) has today, by virtue of the authorisation granted by the annual general meeting on 25 May 2023, resolved to carry out a new issue of shares with preferential rights for existing shareholders (the “Rights Issue”). Upon full subscription, the Company will receive proceeds of approximately SEK 18.4 million before transaction costs. The Rights Issue is fully secured through subscription commitments. The Rights Issue is carried out with the intention of reducing the Company’s indebtedness.

### **Background and reasons**

Rolling Optics develops, designs, produces and sells visual authentication products. Using microlenses, advanced software and a high-resolution printing method, an optical illusion is created with realistic motion and 3D effects.

During the last quarter, Rolling Optics has reported a positive net turnover and entered into an important cooperation agreement with its major shareholder’s wholly owned subsidiary Oberthur Fiduciaire SAS regarding the Company’s long-term strategy in the field of High Security. However, the board considers that the Company’s debt needs to be reduced as a result of increased interest costs and has therefore resolved to raise capital through the Rights Issue.

Upon full subscription in the Rights Issue, the Company will receive approximately SEK 18.4 million before deductions for transaction costs. Rolling Optics intends to use the net proceeds from the Rights Issue for the repayment of the Company’s bank loan.

### **Summary of the Rights Issue**

- The Rights Issue comprises a maximum of 19,795,772 shares that can be subscribed for at a subscription price of SEK 0.93 per share.
- The subscription price corresponds to a discount of 10 per cent in relation to the volume weighted average price of the Company’s share on Nasdaq First North Growth Market during 30 trading days, from 25 July 2023 up to and including 4 September 2023, which amounted to approximately SEK 1.04.
- Upon full subscription in the Rights Issue, the Company will receive issue proceeds of approximately SEK 18.4 million, before transaction costs.
- Those who are shareholders in the Company on the record date of 20 September 2023 will receive one (1) subscription right for each share held on the record date. Forty-one (41) subscription rights entitle the holder to subscribe for four (4) shares in the Rights Issue.
- Subscription in the Rights Issue takes place during the period 22 September 2023 – 6 October 2023.

- Trading with subscription rights will take place on Nasdaq First North Growth Market during the period 22 September 2023 – 3 October 2023 and trading with BTA (paid subscribed shares) is expected to take place on Nasdaq First North Growth Market from 22 September 2023 until the Rights Issue is registered with the Swedish Companies Registration Office, which is expected to take place around week 42.
- The Company's two largest shareholders, François-Charles Oberthur SAS ("**FCO**"), who holds approximately 71 per cent of the shares and votes in the Company, and Forestum Capital AB, who holds approximately 13 per cent of the shares and votes in the Company, have entered into subscription commitments whereby they have undertaken to subscribe for new shares in the Rights Issue corresponding to their pro rata share.
- Furthermore, FCO has undertaken to subscribe for shares without subscription rights, up to such extent that the Rights Issue is fully subscribed. Since it is a subscription commitment without subscription rights, FCO's holding after the Rights Issue is subject to final allocation of shares according to the allocation principles in the Rights Issue.
- Upon full subscription, the Rights Issue increases the number of outstanding shares by 19,795,772, from 202,906,664 shares to 222,702,436 shares.
- Upon full subscription, the Rights Issue will increase the share capital by a maximum of SEK 3,167,323.52, from SEK 32,465,066.24 to SEK 35,632,389.76.
- For existing shareholders, the Rights Issue results in a dilution effect of approximately 8.9 per cent of the capital and votes in the Company upon full subscription. Shareholders who choose not to subscribe in the Rights Issue have the opportunity to compensate this dilution effect financially by selling their received subscription rights.

## **The Rights Issue**

### *Background*

On 13 September 2023, the board of directors of Rolling Optics resolved, by virtue of the authorisation granted by the annual general meeting on 25 May 2023, on a new issue of a maximum of 19,795,772 shares with preferential rights for the Company's existing shareholders. The purpose of the Rights Issue is to pay off the Company's loan and thereby reduce the Company's indebtedness. The subscription price amounts to SEK 0.93 per share, which, if fully subscribed, would mean that the Company receives approximately SEK 18.4 million before issue costs. The subscription price corresponds to a discount of 10 per cent in relation to the volume weighted average price of the Company's share on Nasdaq First North Growth Market during 30 trading days, from 25 July 2023 up to and including 4 September 2023, which amounted to approximately SEK 1.04.

### *Subscription undertakings*

The Company's two largest shareholders, FCO and Forestum Capital AB, who hold approximately 71 and 13 per cent respectively of the total number of shares and votes in the Company, have undertaken to subscribe for new shares in the Rights Issue corresponding to their pro rata share, which corresponds to approximately 84 per cent of the Rights Issue. Furthermore, FCO has undertaken to subscribe for shares without subscription rights, up to such extent that the Rights Issue is fully subscribed. Since it is a subscription commitment without subscription rights, FCO's holding after the Rights Issue is subject to final allocation of shares according to the allocation principles in the Rights Issue.

### *Terms and conditions*

#### Preferential rights and subscription rights

Those who are registered as shareholders in the share register maintained by Euroclear, on behalf of Rolling Optics, on the record date Wednesday, 20 September 2023, have preferential rights to subscribe for new shares in the Rights Issue in proportion to the number of shares held on the record date.

Such shareholders in Rolling Optics will receive one (1) subscription right for each share held on the record date. Forty-one (41) subscription rights entitle the holder to subscribe for four (4) new shares. Only a whole number of shares can be subscribed for.

Upon full subscription, the Rights Issue increases the number of outstanding shares by 19,795,772, from 202,906,664 shares to 222,702,436 shares. Upon full subscription, the Rights Issue increases the share capital by a maximum of SEK 3,167,323.52, from SEK 32,465,066.24 to SEK 35,632,389.76.

For existing shareholders, the Rights Issue results in a dilution effect of approximately 8.9 per cent of the capital and votes in the Company upon full subscription. Shareholders who choose not to subscribe in the Rights Issue have the opportunity to compensate this dilution effect financially by selling their received subscription rights.

#### Subscription price

The subscription price amounts to SEK 0.93 per share. No commission will be paid.

#### Record date

The record date at Euroclear for determining who is entitled to receive subscription rights in the Rights Issue is Wednesday, 20 September 2023. The last day of trading in the shares including the right to participate in the Rights Issue is Monday, 18 September 2023. The shares are traded without the right to participate in the Rights Issue from Tuesday, 19 September 2023.

#### Subscription and payment

Subscription of shares with subscription rights shall be made by cash payment during the period from and including Friday, 22 September 2023 up to and including Friday, 6 October 2023. Subscription of shares without subscription rights shall be made on a separate subscription list during the same period. Payment for shares subscribed for without subscription rights shall be made no later than the third banking day after notice of allotment has been sent to the subscriber by way of a contract note. The board of directors is entitled to extend the subscription and payment period.

#### Trading in subscription rights

Trading in subscription rights will take place on Nasdaq First North Growth Market during the period from Friday, 22 September 2023 up to and including Tuesday, 3 October 2023. Upon sale of subscription rights, both primary and subsidiary subscription rights will be transferred to the new holder.

#### Allotment

In the event that not all shares are subscribed for with preferential rights in accordance with the above, the board of directors shall, within the framework of the maximum amount of the Rights Issue, decide on the allocation of shares to others who have subscribed for shares without preferential rights and decide on the distribution between subscribers.

Firstly, allotment of shares subscribed for without subscription rights shall be made to such subscribers who have also subscribed for shares with subscription rights, irrespective of whether the subscriber was a shareholder on the record date or not, and in the event that allotment to such subscribers cannot be made in full, allotment shall be made pro rata in relation to the number of subscription rights exercised for subscription of shares and, to the extent this cannot be done, by drawing of lots. Secondly, allotment of shares subscribed for without subscription rights shall be made to others who have subscribed without subscription rights, and in the event that allotment to such subscribers cannot be made in full, allotment shall be made pro rata in relation to the number of shares subscribed for by each subscriber and, to the extent that this cannot be done, by drawing of lots.

#### Complete terms and conditions

Complete terms and conditions for the Rights Issue will be made available on the Company's website [www.rollingoptics.com](http://www.rollingoptics.com) before the subscription period commences.

#### **Preliminary timetable for the Rights Issue**

18 September 2023	Last day of trading including the right to receive subscription rights.
19 September 2023	First day of trading excluding the right to receive subscription rights.
20 September 2023	Record date for receiving subscription rights and the right to participate in the Rights Issue.
22 September – 3 October 2023	Trading in subscription rights.
22 September – 6 October 2023	Subscription period.
Around 10 October 2023	Publishing of the outcome of the Rights Issue. Contract notes are distributed.

#### **Advisors**

Advokatfirman Delphi is acting as legal advisor to the Company in connection with the Rights Issue. Partner Fondkommission AB has been engaged as issuing agent in connection with the Rights Issue.

*This information is such information that Rolling Optics Holding AB is obliged to publish in accordance with the EU Market Abuse Regulation. The information was submitted, through the agency of the contact person below, for publication on 13 September 2023 at 14:00 CEST.*

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#### **About Rolling Optics**

Rooted in research at the Ångström Laboratory at Uppsala University, Rolling Optics develops, designs, produces and sells visual authentication products. By developing the world's most high-resolution printing technology, the company has enabled the production of micro-optical images with unbeatably realistic 3D effects. Rolling Optics offers micro-optical security solutions in three business areas: High Security, where Rolling Optics 3D technology is integrated into documents issued by banks and government agencies, such as banknotes, passports and ID cards; Brand Security, for companies that want to protect their brands against counterfeiting and guarantee authenticity by using Rolling Optics 3D materials in or on their packaging and products; and Brand Identity, which includes those customers who, in addition to enhanced security, want to use Rolling Optics 3D effects as a differentiation strategy to build brand awareness. Please visit [www.rollingoptics.com](http://www.rollingoptics.com).

Rolling Optics Holding AB's share is admitted to trading on Nasdaq First North Growth Market under the ticker RO. The Company's Certified Adviser is Erik Penser Bank.

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