



# LINDT & SPRÜNGLI

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### **Lindt & Sprüngli completes buyback of own shares and participation certificates**

Kilchberg, 20.12.2012 – On 20.12.2012, Chocoladefabriken Lindt & Sprüngli Aktiengesellschaft completed its buyback programme which was launched on 1 April 2011. In total, 3'889 registered shares and 75'253 participation certificates were bought back. The total buyback volume aggregated to CHF 326.6 m. The buyback was executed via a second trading line on SIX Swiss Exchange Ltd each for the registered shares and the participation certificates of Lindt & Sprüngli.

The capital reduction, through the cancellation of 589 repurchased registered shares and 22'253 participation certificates that were not already cancelled at this year's ordinary general meeting, is subject to approval at the ordinary general meeting 2013.

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#### **About Lindt & Sprüngli**

Chocoladefabriken Lindt & Sprüngli AG is the worldwide leader in the premium chocolate segment and was founded more than 165 years ago in Zurich. Lindt & Sprüngli quality chocolate is manufactured in eight own production facilities in Europe and the US and is sold by 18 own subsidiaries as well as a widespread network of independent distributors around the world. The Lindt & Sprüngli Group employs around 7500 people and achieved sales of 2.5 billion Swiss francs in 2011.

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