

## PROPOSAL OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

## AUTHORISING THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS TO DECIDE ON THE REPURCHASE OF THE COMPANY'S OWN SHARES

(Agenda item 15)

The Board of Directors proposes to the Annual General Meeting of UPM-Kymmene Corporation to be held on 29 March 2017 that the Board be authorised to decide on the repurchase of the Company's own shares as follows:

By virtue of the authorisation, the Board may decide to repurchase a maximum of 50,000,000 of the Company's own shares. The proposed maximum number of shares corresponds to 9.4 per cent of the Company's registered number of shares at the time of the proposal. The authorisation includes also the right to accept the Company's own shares as a pledge.

The Company's own shares will be repurchased in public trading otherwise than in proportion to the existing shareholdings of the Company's shareholders at the market price quoted at the time of purchase on the trading places where the Company's shares or certificates entitling to its shares are traded, using the Company's unrestricted shareholders' equity. The purchase price for the shares will be paid according to the applicable rules of the trading places where the shares have been repurchased.

The shares will be repurchased to be used as consideration in potential mergers or acquisitions, to finance investments or other business-related transactions, to develop the Company's capital structure, or as a part of the Company's incentive plans, or to be retained by the Company as treasury shares, transferred or cancelled.

The Board shall decide on all other matters related to the repurchase of the Company's own shares. The authorisation will be valid for 18 months from the date of the resolution of the Annual General Meeting. If this authorisation is granted, it will revoke the repurchase authorisation granted by the Annual General Meeting on 7 April 2016.

Helsinki, 31 January 2017

**UPM-Kymmene Corporation** 

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