

CORPORATE GOVERNANCE STATEMENT 2023

UPM-Kymmene Corporation (UPM or the Company) follows the Finnish Corporate Governance Code 2020 (CG Code) issued by the Securities Market Association and complies with all recommendations of the CG Code. The CG Code is publicly available on the Securities Market Association's website at www.cgfinland.fi/en.

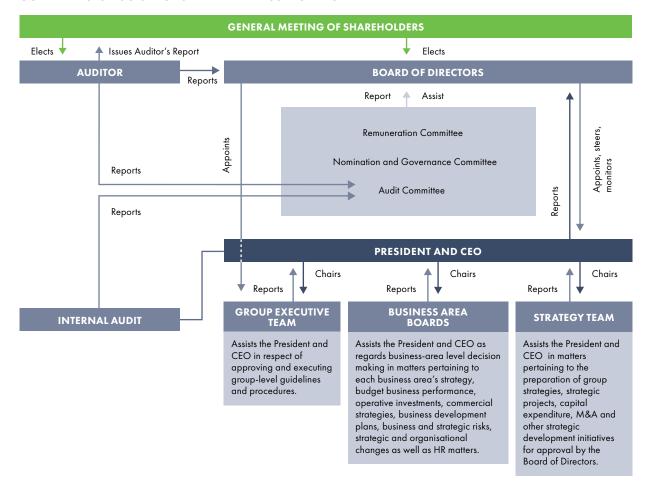
UPM's Corporate Governance Statement (CG Statement) for the financial year 2023 has been prepared in accordance with the CG Code's corporate governance reporting section. UPM presents the CG Statement as a separate report, distinct from the Report of the Board of Directors. The CG Statement is available on the corporate website's Investors section under Governance (www.upm.com/governance).

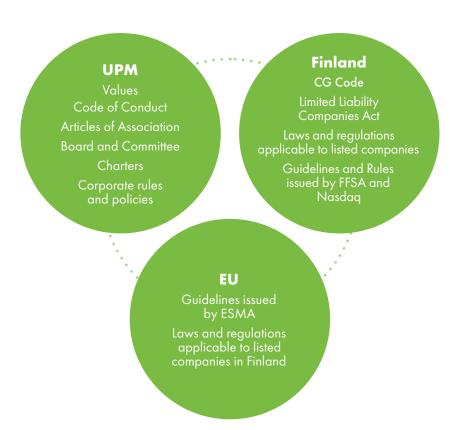
The Report of the Board of Directors is presented on pages 122–162 of UPM's Annual Report 2023, which is also available on the corporate website.

UPM's governance structure

UPM is a Finnish limited liability company with headquarters in Helsinki, Finland. The parent company, UPM-Kymmene Corporation, and its subsidiaries form UPM Group, having approximately 16,600 employees in 43 countries. UPM Group's business operations are divided into six business areas, other operations including new businesses and global functions. UPM shares are listed on Nasdaq Helsinki Ltd.

GOVERNANCE STRUCTURE OF UPM-KYMMENE CORPORATION





of shares and votes represented in the AGM 2023

3,476 shareholders represented in the AGM 2023

UPM uses a one-tier governance model, which, in addition to the general meeting of shareholders, comprises the Board of Directors and the President and CEO, as presented in the illustration on the previous page. In the operative management of the Company, the President and CEO is assisted by the Group Executive Team, the Business Area Boards and the Strategy Team.

Governance framework

UPM's decision-making, management and operations are guided by our values and by the UPM Code of Conduct. UPM's values and UPM Code of Conduct form the framework for all Company operations and set out standards of behaviour for all UPM employees, including directors and executives, without exception. Compliance and responsible and ethical practices are the foundation of UPM's businesses. In addition to the Finnish CG Code, the Company follows, among others, the Finnish Limited Liability Companies Act and other laws and regulations applicable to publicly listed companies in Finland, the Company's Articles of Association, Board and committee charters, corporate policies and rules, as well as rules and guidelines issued by the European Securities and Markets Authority, the Finnish Financial Supervisory Authority and Nasdaq Helsinki stock exchange.

Annual General Meeting 2023

The Company's Annual General Meeting (AGM) for 2023 was held in Helsinki on 12 April 2023. The notice to the AGM, including proposals by the Board of Directors and the Nomination and Governance Committee, was published in February. A total of 3,476 (2,737) shareholders were

represented at the meeting. Shareholders attending the meeting represented 60% (58%) of the Company's shares and voting rights at the time of the AGM. The AGM supported all other proposals by the Board of Directors or the Board's Nomination and Governance Committee except the proposal to amend the Articles of Association, which would allow the Company to arrange general meetings virtually. The proposal was based on the legislative changes to the Finnish Limited Liability Companies Act. According to said legislation, virtual general meetings can be held if a company's Articles of Association are amended to include this possibility. All other decisions at the AGM 2023 were made in accordance with the proposals.

Board of Directors

The AGM 2023 elected nine members to UPM's Board of Directors for a one-year term. Henrik Ehrnrooth, Emma FitzGerald, Jari Gustafsson, Piia-Noora Kauppi, Topi Manner, Marjan Oudeman, Martin à Porta and Kim Wahl were re-elected to the Board. Pia Aaltonen-Forsell was elected as a new director to the Board. All directors are non-executive and their term of office will end upon the closure of the AGM 2024. Björn Wahlroos had announced that he would not be available for re-election.

COMPOSITION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS, 31 DECEMBER 2023

DIRECTOR	DIRECTOR SINCE	BORN	EDUCATION	NATIONALITY	MAIN OCCUPATION	UPM SHARES 31 DEC. 2023 ¹⁾
Henrik Ehrnrooth ²⁾ , Chair since 2023					CEO of KONE Corporation (until 31 Dec	
5.1d.1 5.1165 2525	2015	1969	M.Sc. (Econ.)	Finnish	2023)	1 <i>7</i> ,488
Kim Wahl, Deputy Chair since 2023	2012	1960	MBA (Harvard), BA (Business Econ.)	Norwegian	Chair of the Board of Directors of Strømstangen AS	27,962
Pia Aaltonen-Forsell	2023	1974	M.Soc.Sc (Econ), MBA	Finnish	CFO of Outokumpu Oyj	1,666
Emma FitzGerald ³⁾	2020	1967	MBA, Ph.D., MA (Chem./Physics)	British	Senior Advisor	3,097
Jari Gustafsson	2021	1958	M.Sc. (Politic.)	Finnish	Ambassador of Finland to Greece and Albania	4,502
Piia-Noora Kauppi	2013	1975	LL.M.	Finnish	Partner at Odgers Berndtson	25,701
Topi Manner ⁴⁾					President and CEO of Finnair Corporation (until 15	
	2022	1974	M.Sc. (Econ.)	Finnish	Jan 2024)	3,097
Marjan Oudeman	2018	1958	LL.M., MBA	Dutch	Non-executive Director	11,260
Martin à Porta	2020	1970	M.Sc. (Eng.)	Swiss	Non-executive Director	26,510
Total				·-		121,283

¹⁾ Including shares held by the directors' controlled entities, if any.

Director independence

Independence evaluation process

The Board of Directors evaluates the independence of its members both annually and on a continuous basis, with the assistance of the Board's Nomination and Governance Committee. A Board member is obliged to provide sufficient information for the evaluation of his/her independence and to also express his/her own opinion of his/her independence.

Independence criteria

Director independence is assessed based on the independence criteria of the CG Code, in addition to other factors and circumstances to be considered when carrying out an overall evaluation, from the point of view of both the Company and the Board of Directors. The Nomination and Governance Committee also considers additional director independence criteria adopted by it. These criteria are available at www.upm.com/governance.

Director independence is assessed overall and in relation to UPM, its Group companies and the Company's significant shareholders. A shareholder with a shareholding of at least 10% of the Company's shares, or the votes attached thereto, or with the right or obligation to acquire the corresponding number of already-issued shares, is deemed significant. The majority of directors shall be independent of the Company, and at least two directors of this majority shall be independent of significant shareholders. In order to be considered independent of the Company, a director must not have a material relationship with the Company other than his/her service as a director. In the overall assessment of a director's independence, any material relationships with a director's family members or closely related persons or entities are also taken into account, in addition to any other factors that may compromise the director's independence or ability to represent all shareholders.

UPM director independence

According to the evaluation carried out by the Board with the assistance of the Nomination and Governance Committee, all Board members are independent of the Company's significant shareholders, as the Company has no controlling shareholder and none of the Company's shareholders have announced a holding of 10% or more of the Company's shares or votes attached thereto.

All directors are non-executive, and the Board has also concluded that all directors are independent of the Company, including Piia-Noora Kauppi and Kim Wahl, although they have been non-executive directors of the Company for ten or more consecutive years. Based on the Board's overall evaluation of the independence of these directors, their long-standing service does not compromise their independence, and no other factors or circumstances have been identified that could affect their independence.

Board diversity

The Board's diversity principles are included in the Board and committee charters and, more specifically, in the Board's Diversity Policy. The Board of Directors' Nomination and Governance Committee assists the Board in the implementation of the policy and prepares the Board's proposal for the composition of the Board to the AGM, in accordance with the director evaluation and nomination process specified in the policy. The Board's Diversity Policy aims to set objectives and procedures for achieving appropriate diversity on the Board, thereby contributing to the effective functioning of the Board as a team. The policy is available at www.upm.com/governance.

²⁾ The President and CEO of KONE Corporation until 31 December 2023.

³⁾ Not available for re-election at the AGM 2024.

⁴⁾ Appointed CEO of Elisa Corporation starting in the position on 1 March 2024 at the latest.

Diversity aspects and objectives

The overarching goal of diversity is for the Board, as a whole, to have a broad range of skills, experience and perspectives, as well as knowledge of UPM and relevant industries, so that the Board can effectively accomplish its responsibilities, in particular those pertaining to strategy and risk management.

The Board considers it important that all directors be individuals of high integrity with the ability to exercise sound judgement on a broad range of issues. In order for the Board to comprise of an appropriate mix of relevant knowledge and experience, as well as have independence of judgement and diverse perspectives, the Board has set an objective that certain key qualifications be sufficiently represented on the Board. A sufficient number of the directors on the Board is expected to have the relevant professional experience and education to provide a sound appreciation of issues pertinent to publicly listed companies of a size and scope corresponding to that of UPM, including:

- · Financial expertise
- · Relevant industry knowledge
- International experience
- · Risk management experience
- Experience in the planning and implementation of Company strategies, and
- · Governance and leadership experience.

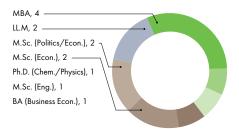
With regard to other factors relevant to Board diversity, the Board aims to include an appropriate number of directors of different nationalities, ages, genders and lengths of service. The Board has set the following measurable objective: Both genders must always be represented on the Board, with high priority given to maintaining at least 1/3 representation of the under-represented gender among non-executive directors on the Board. Where two candidates are equally qualified, priority will be given to the candidate of the under-represented gender.

There is no set retirement age for the Board but, as stated in the Board's Diversity Policy, since UPM's strategic agenda, risks and operating needs evolve over time, it is acknowledged that the Board will review its skills and experience to develop and refresh its competences and other relevant qualities as needs arise.

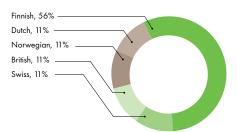
Implementation and results

The number of directors on the Board is nine. At the AGM 2023, one member's term came to an end as he had announced that he would not available for re-election, and one new director was elected to the Board. Each member of the Board has a university degree and one of them has a doctorate. Said degrees cover different areas of study, with the majority being in finance, economics or business administration. All directors have international professional experience in various types of positions, and they are or have been executives or non-executive members of the Board of Directors in both listed and unlisted companies. The cultural background of the Board is also diverse. The members represent five different nationalities and speak six different languages as native languages. Regarding age, the directors on the Board evenly represent different ages between 48 and 65. Likewise, their length of service is evenly spread: 22% of directors have served on the UPM Board for ten years or more, 22% for five to nine years and 56% for less than five years. With regard to the representation of both genders on the Board, female directors account for 44% (4/9) of all of UPM's directors.

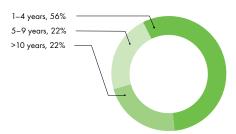
Board diversity - education



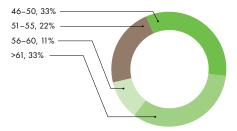
Board diversity - nationality



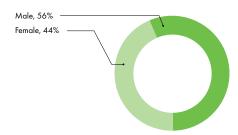
Board diversity - tenure



Board diversity - age



Board diversity - gender



Board duties

The Board is responsible for the oversight and control of the entire UPM Group and for ensuring that the Company's administration and operations, as well as control of its accounts and finances, are duly in place. The Board approves the Company's financial statements and other financial reports, determines the Company's Dividend Policy and makes a proposal to the AGM for the distribution of profits and payment of dividends. The Board convened according to

its original meeting schedule and held additional meetings when required.

The Board has prepared a written charter of its work, including the Board's main duties and operating principles. The duties and responsibilities of the Board of Directors, as defined in the charter, are presented below. This charter is available at www.upm.com/governance.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS' DU	ITIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES
Strategy	 Review and approve the Company's strategic objectives Review and approve the strategic plans of the Company and its business areas annually Monitor the implementation of the strategic plans
Financial performance	 Review and approve the Company's financial targets Monitor the Company's financial performance
Financial reporting	 Monitor and assess the Company's financial reporting process Oversee the integrity of financial reporting Approve the Company's financial reports
Restructurings, investments, financing, M&A	 Review and approve major corporate plans and transactions Establish limits for capital expenditures, investments and divestitures and financial commitments not to be exceeded without Board approval Review and approve the Company's annual investment frame
Internal control	Ensure that the Company has defined the operating principles of internal control Monitor and assess the effectiveness of internal control
Risk management	 Monitor and assess the effectiveness of risk management systems Oversee the assessment and management of risks related to the Company's strategy and operations
Audit	 Monitor the Company's audit Monitor and assess the auditor's performance and independence Monitor and assess the provision of non-audit services by the auditor Prepare the proposal for the election of auditor Meet regularly with the auditor without members of the management present
Appointments	 Appoint and dismiss the President and CEO Appoint members of senior management reporting directly to the President and CEO Appoint the Chair and the Deputy Chair from among its members annually Appoint Chairs and members of the Board Committees annually
Management remuneration	 Approve the service contracts for the President and CEO and other senior executives Approve the remuneration, including salaries, incentives and other financial benefits for the President and CEO and other senior executives
Succession planning	Oversee the succession planning of the President and CEO and other senior executives
Governance principles	 Approve the Company's Code of Conduct and other corporate policies Oversee the establishment of the Company's values to be applied to its operations Periodically review and reassess the adequacy of the Board and Committee charters
Compliance	 Monitor compliance with the applicable legal and regulatory requirements Monitor compliance with the corporate policies approved by the Board
Conflicts of interest	Establish the principles concerning the monitoring and evaluation of related party transactions and review any potential conflicts of interest accordingly
Committees	 Establish specific Committees to assist the Board Determine the size and composition of the Committees Approve the Committee charters
Director independence	 Evaluate director independence and qualifications annually Monitor compliance with independence criteria applicable to directors
Evaluation	 Conduct an annual evaluation of its performance and working methods Conduct an annual evaluation of the Committee's performance and working methods
Other	 Meet regularly without members of management present Consider proposals by shareholders for matters to be dealt with by the general meeting

Attendance at meetings

There is no minimum attendance requirement for directors' attendance at meetings, but they are expected to attend all meetings unless there is a valid reason for non-attendance.

In 2023, the Board held nine meetings. The average rate of attendance at the meetings was 100% (100%).

ATTENDANCE AT BOARD AND COMMITTEE MEETINGS 2023

	ATTENDA	ANCE	ATTENDA	NCE	AVERAGE
DIRECTOR	NO. OF BOARD MEETINGS	RATE (%)	NO. OF COMMITTEE MEETINGS	RATE (%)	ATTENDANCE RATE (%)
Henrik Ehrnrooth, Board and NGC Chair	9/9	100	5/5	100	100
Kim Wahl, Deputy Chair and AC Chair	9/9	100	5/5	100	100
Pia Aaltonen-Forsell, Board and AC member as of 12 April	8/8	100	4/4	100	100
Emma FitzGerald, RC member	9/9	100	5/5	100	100
Jari Gustafsson, NGC member as of 12 April, (AC member until 12 April)	9/9	100	5/5	100	100
Piia-Noora Kauppi, NGC member	9/9	100	5/5	100	100
Topi Manner, RC member	9/9	100	5/5	100	100
Marjan Oudeman, AC member	9/9	100	5/5	100	100
Martin à Porta, RC Chair	9/9	100	5/5	100	100
Björn Wahlroos, Board and NGC Chair until 12 April	1/1	100	1/1	100	100

AC – Audit Committee, NGC – Nomination and Governance Committee, RC – Remuneration Committee

Performance evaluation of the Board of Directors

The Board of Directors conducts an annual evaluation of its performance and working methods, including an evaluation of the performance and working methods of its committees. In 2023, the evaluation was conducted by an external facilitator. The Board evaluation included quantative and qualitative analyses of the Board and Committee work through various methods such as interviews and surveys. The performance of the Board and its Committees was evaluated in relation to their respective duties and responsibilities, their oversight, effectiveness and decision-making process, their support for executing the Company's strategy, their relationship with the Company's operative management, the Board and Committee compositions and structure, the Board culture, the individual performance of Board members and the performance of the Chair of the Board. The preliminary results of the 2023 performance evaluation were highly favourable and indicated that the Board, the Chair of the Board and the Board Committees are performing effectively, and that Board members are committed to their Board work. Identified areas for improvement are considered when planning Board-related work, and the Nomination and Governance Committee takes the results into consideration when preparing its proposals for the composition of the Board for the Annual General Meeting. In 2024 the Board will continue to discuss and analyse the results and potential actions thereof.

Board Committees

The Board has established following three committees to further improve the preparation of matters to be decided by the Board:

- Audit Committee
- · Remuneration Committee and
- Nomination and Governance Committee

The Board appoints the members of each committee and its respective Chair from amongst its members annually, during its constitutive meeting following the Annual General Meeting. Each committee has at least three members.

The Board remains responsible for the performance of any duties assigned to the committees. The committees do not have any independent decision-making power. Instead, the Board makes decisions based on the preparation and resolution proposals provided by the committees. The committees also assist the Board in its oversight and monitoring responsibilities.

All committee members are independent both of the Company and its significant shareholders, so the committees fulfil their respective independence criteria, as set out in the Finnish CG Code. In the appointment of committee members, the respective qualification requirements have also been taken into account.

COMMITTEE MEMBERS AND THEIR ATTENDANCE AT COMMITTEE MEETINGS IN 2023

	ATTENDANCE	
AUDIT COMMITTEE	NO. OF MEETINGS RA	TE (%)
Kim Wahl, Chair	5/5	100
Pia Aaltonen-Forsell (member as of 12 April)	4/4	100
Marjan Oudeman	5/5	100
Jari Gustafsson (member until 12 April)	1/1	100

	ATTENDANCE	
NOMINATION AND GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE	NO. OF MEETINGS	RATE (%)
Henrik Ehrnrooth, Chair (Chair as of 12 April)	5/5	100
Jari Gustafsson (member as of 12 April)	4/4	100
Piia-Noora Kauppi	5/5	100
Björn Wahlroos (Chair until 12 April)	1/1	100

	ATTENDANCE	
REMUNERATION COMMITTEE	NO. OF MEETINGS	RATE (%)
Martin à Porta, Chair	5/5	100
Emma FitzGerald	5/5	100
Topi Manner	5/5	100

Committee charters

The written committee charters approved by the Board of Directors set forth the purpose, composition, operations and duties of each committee, as well as the prerequisites of committee membership. Each committee is responsible for performing the duties assigned to it in its charter. The committee charters are available at www.upm.com/governance.

Committee-related work

The committees hold their meetings prior to Board meetings in order to prepare matters to be decided by the Board. The chairs of each committee report on matters discussed and actions taken by the committees during the Board meetings. In addition, the minutes from the committee meetings are available to all Board members for information purposes.

The committees review and reassess the adequacy of their charters periodically and propose any changes they consider necessary to the Board for approval.

Each year, the committees evaluate the performance of their duties and responsibilities, their working methods, the composition of the committee and the effectiveness of committee meetings. In 2023, the performance evaluations of all committees were facilitated by an external evaluator and conducted in connection of the performance evaluation of the Board.

More information on committee duties and responsibilities according to their respective committee charters are available on this and the following pages.

Audit Committee

The Audit Committee is responsible for overseeing the Company's financial reporting processes and financial reporting, internal control, internal audit and risk management, and for monitoring the Company's audit and compliance procedures.

Financial reporting	Monitor and assess the financial reporting processes
	Submit recommendations or proposals to ensure the integrity of the financial reporting process
	Monitor the quality and integrity of the financial statements and other financial reports
	Review the Report of the Board of Directors including information on non-financial matters
Financial performance	Monitor the Company's financial performance
	 Review the Company's annual financial statements and half-year and interim financial reports Discuss generally with management the nature of the financial information and earning guidance provided to the mark
Internal control	
Internal control	Monitor and assess the effectiveness of the Company's internal control Monitor and assess the effectiveness of the Company's internal control
Internal audit	 Monitor and assess the effectiveness of the Company's internal audit Review the Company's policies with respect to the internal audit
	Review internal audit reports
	Approve the annual internal audit plan and budget
	Review the organisation, responsibilities and staffing of the internal audit function periodically
	Meet separately with the internal auditor at least twice a year
Risk management	Monitor and assess the Company's risk management process
	 Monitor and assess the effectiveness of the Company's risk management systems Review the Company's policies with respect to risk assessment and risk management
	Oversee that risk management activities are aligned with these policies
	Review the organisation, responsibilities and staffing of the risk management function periodically
Audit	Monitor the statutory audit of the financial statements and consolidated financial statements
	Inform the Board of the outcome of the statutory audit and explain how it contributed to the integrity of the financial
	 Oversee the arrangement of tendering processes for audit services
	Approve annual audit fees under the guidance given by the shareholders at the Annual General Meeting
	Review the scope, planning and staffing of the annual audit plan
	Evaluate the appropriateness of the auditor's provision of audit-related and non-audit services and approve related fee
Auditor	Be responsible for the auditor selection procedure
	Prepare the proposal for the auditor's remuneration
	 Prepare the proposal for the auditor's election or re-election Evaluate the auditor's qualifications and performance
	Monitor and evaluate the auditor's independence
	Review the experience, qualifications and performance of senior members of the audit engagement team
	Ensure the rotation of the auditor's lead audit partner at least every seven years
0 4	Meet separately with the auditor at least twice a year
Compliance	 Monitor and assess the effectiveness of the Company's compliance system Review compliance reports
	Review the organisation, responsibilities and staffing of compliance function periodically
	Review any legal matters that may have a significant impact on the Company's financial position
	Review any material reports or inquiries from regulatory or governmental agencies Province to Company to Contact.
	 Review the Company's Code of Conduct Review compliance with the Code of Conduct and other corporate policies approved by the Board
	Oversee procedures for treatment of complaints and concerns submitted to the Company anonymously or otherwise
	Review the Company's annual Corporate Governance Statement
Conflicts of interest	Assist the Board in the establishment of principles concerning the monitoring and evaluation of related party transaction.
	Monitor and assess how agreements and other legal acts between the Company and its related parties meet the
	requirements of ordinary course of business and market terms Review any questions of potential conflicts of interest in contemplated transactions with the Company's related parti-
	that require Board approval
	Make recommendations to the Board for appropriate actions regarding contemplated related party transactions that
	require Board approval
Other	Meet separately with representatives of management at least twice a year
	Meet regularly without members of management present
	 Perform other duties and functions that may be assigned by the Board or deemed necessary or appropriate by the committee for the performance of its oversight function

In addition to undertaking the assigned matters and regular reports listed above, the Audit Committee also reviewed reports on and discussed non-financial matters (together with the review of non-financial reporting), ESG and cyber security. Furthermore, the Committee responded to a survey conducted by the Finnish Financial Supervisory Authority addressed to audit committees with regard to the implementation of sustainability reporting.

Remuneration Committee

The Remuneration Committee is responsible for preparing the Company's remuneration principles and practices, and for planning the remuneration of the President and CEO, as well as the remuneration and succession of other senior executives.

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Remuneration framework	 Review and make recommendations to the Board with respect to the Company's remuneration schemes and annually commencing plans Prepare the Remuneration Policy for the Board approval and review its appropriateness at least annually Present the Remuneration Policy for governing bodies to shareholders at the Annual General Meeting
Service contracts	 Make recommendations to the Board concerning the terms and conditions of the service contracts with the senior executives Make recommendations to the Board concerning the terms and conditions of any severance arrangements or retention plans or agreements in addition to or in replacement of such agreements with senior executives
Management remuneration	 Make recommendations to the Board concerning salaries and other financial benefits for the President and CEO and other senior executives Make recommendations to the Board for the payout of short- and long-term incentives to the President and CEO and other senior executives Prepare the annual Remuneration Report for the Board approval Present the Remuneration Report to shareholders at the Annual General Meeting
Incentive schemes	 Review and make recommendations to the Board with respect to the Company's remuneration schemes and annually commencing plans, including short-term incentive plans, long-term incentive plans, and pension plans Review and make recommendations to the Board with regard to short- and long-term performance measures and related targets and weightings relevant to the remuneration of the Company's President and CEO and other senior executives Evaluate performance of the President and CEO and review performance of other senior executives in light of the set targets at least once a year Oversee the administration of the Company's incentive plans approved by the Board
Succession planning	 Review procedures and development strategies for senior level positions at least once a year Review succession plans for the senior executives and report to the Board on such matters at least once a year
Compliance	Oversee regulatory compliance with respect to remuneration matters Review the Company's share ownership recommendations and compliance therewith
Other	 Meet without members of executive management present at least once a year Meet with the internal auditor as necessary Meet with the auditor as necessary Meet with the Company executives as necessary Perform any other duties or responsibilities delegated to the committee by the Board from time to time

In addition to undertaking the assigned matters and regular reports listed above, in 2023 the Remuneration Committee also focused on performance measures of the incentive plans. The Committee made recommendations to the Board concerning the remuneration of the President and CEO and other senior executives, concerning a new share based long-term incentive arrangement and Restricted Share Plan 2024-2027, concerning the Terms of Service agreement of the Executive Vice President of Fibres appointed during 2023, and reviewed the Remuneration Policy adopted by the AGM 2020 and the Remuneration Policy to be presented to the AGM 2024.

Nomination and Governance Committee

The Nomination and Governance Committee is responsible for the composition, diversity and remuneration of the Board of Directors, succession planning for the President and CEO, and corporate governance. If necessary, the committee also makes recommendations to the Board concerning the terms of service agreement of the President and CEO, and any severance arrangement or retention plan or agreement in addition to or in replacement of such agreements.

Board composition	Develop and recommend a set of principles of the diversity of the Board and of the corporate governance to the Board
·	Review the structure, size, composition, diversity and successional needs of the Board
	 Prepare a proposal for the election or re-election of members of the Board and present the said proposal to the general meeting
	Identify candidates for election or re-election to the Board
	Evaluate shareholders' potential proposals regarding Board candidates
Board remuneration	Assist the Board in the preparation of the Remuneration Policy and annual remuneration reports together with the
	Remuneration Committee
	Review Board members' remuneration annually
	Prepare a proposal to the general meeting for the remuneration of Board members in accordance with the Remuneration Policy Property the remainded of the Property of the remuneration of Board members in accordance with the Remuneration Policy
	Present the proposal regarding Board members' remuneration to the general meeting
Director independence	Assist the Board in the evaluation of the independence of the Board members and candidates
	 Assist the Board in monitoring compliance with the independence criteria applicable to directors of publicly listed companies in Finland
	 Assist the Board in the assessment of the directors' ability to devote the necessary time and attention to the Company
Board evaluation	Establish criteria for the Board's evaluation of its performance and working methods
	Assist the Board in the annual evaluation of its performance and working methods
Succession planning	Review succession plan for the President and CEO at least annually and report to the Board on said succession plan
Appointments	Recommend the appointment of the Chair and Deputy Chair of the Board for Board approval
	Identify individuals qualified to serve as the President and CEO
	Preparation for the appointment of the President and CEO
	Recommend the appointment of the President and CEO to the Board
Service agreement and	Recommend the terms of service agreement of the President and CEO for Board approval
severance arrangement	 If necessary, recommend severance arrangement or retention plan or agreement in addition to or in replacement of such
	agreements for Board approval
Committees	Review annually committee assignments and composition of the committees
	Recommend annually committee members and chairs of the committees to the Board
	Establish criteria for the committees' annual evaluation of their performance and working methods
	Assist the committees in the annual evaluation of its performance and working methods
Charters	Review and reassess periodically the adequacy of the Board and committee charters
Other	Assist the Board in connection with major management reorganisation
	Meet without members of management present as necessary
	Perform any other duties or responsibilities delegated to the committee by the Board from time to time

In addition to undertaking the assigned matters and regular reports listed above, in 2023 the Nomination and Governance Committee also focused on succession planning and the candidacy process for the President and CEO who had announced his plan to retire, prepared a recommendation to the Board on appointment of the President and CEO as of 1 January 2024, assisted the external facilitator to conduct a performance evaluation of the Board and its committees, reviewed and proposed certain rotations to the composition of the committees, and reviewed the Remuneration Policy adopted by the AGM 2020 and the Remuneration Policy to be presented to the AGM 2024.

President and CEO

Jussi Pesonen was the President and Chief Executive Officer of UPM-Kymmene Corporation from year 2004 until 31 December 2023. He was born in 1960 and holds a Master's degree in process technology from Oulu University, Finland.

According to his original service agreement, Jussi Pesonen was entitled to retire at the age of 60. The service agreement was revised in 2019 and he continued as the President and CEO until 31 December 2023. He had announced in October 2022 that he will exercise his right to retire during 2024. The schedule allowed UPM's Board of Directors sufficient time to implement the succession planning process. Following a careful candidacy process, the Board appointed in October 2023 Massimo Reynaudo the President and CEO as of 1 January 2024. He has been with UPM since 2017 and prior to his President and CEO position he was Executive

Vice President, UPM Communication Papers. Massimo Reynaudo is an Italian citizen and was born in 1969.

The President and CEO's duty is to manage and oversee the Company's day-to-day business operations in accordance with the instructions and orders given by the Board of Directors. In the operative management of the Company, the President and CEO is assisted by the Group Executive Team, which consists of the executives leading the business areas and global functions, the Business Area Boards and the Strategy Team. The President and CEO makes decisions on matters that are relevant to the Company's daily business operations. The President and CEO chairs the Group Executive Team.

The President and CEO is also responsible for arranging the Company's day-to-day administration, ensuring that

the Company's accounts are in compliance with the law and ensuring that the Company's financial affairs are reliably presented.

The President and CEO ensures that the Board receives adequate information on the Company's business operations, operating environment and financial position to facilitate informed decision-making. The President and CEO reports to the Board on the Company's business and financial performance and supervises the execution of Board resolutions.

Other executives

In the operative management of the Company, the President and CEO is assisted by the Group Executive Team, the Business Area Boards and the Strategy Team. The duties of these management bodies are presented on the first page of this Statement, in connection with the illustration of the Company's governance structure. The authority of these management bodies is not based on the Limited Liability Companies Act or the Company's Articles of Association, but their position in the Company's management system.

COMPOSITION OF MANAGEMENT BODIES

GROUP EXECUTIVE TEAM	BUSINESS AREA BOARDS	STRATEGY TEAM
President and CEO (Chair)	President and CEO (Chair)	President and CEO (Chair)
CFO	CFO	CFO
General Counsel	General Counsel	General Counsel
Business Area EVPs	Business Area EVP	EVP Strategy
EVPs of Global Functions	EVPs of Global Functions	EVP Technology

Members of the Group Executive Team have primary responsibility for the business areas and global functions that they lead. Members of the Group Executive Team report directly to the President and CEO.

MEMBERS OF THE GROUP EXECUTIVE TEAM 2023

EXECUTIVE	DIRECTOR SINCE	BORN	EDUCATION	NATIONALITY	MAIN OCCUPATION	UPM SHARES 31 DEC. 2023 ¹⁾
Jussi Pesonen ²⁾	2001	1960	M.Sc. (Eng.)	Finnish	President and CEO	602,771
Tapio Korpeinen	2008	1963	M.Sc. (Tech.), MBA	Finnish	CFO and Executive Vice President, UPM Energy	227,457
Pirkko Harrela	2004	1960	M.A.	Finnish	Executive Vice President, Stakeholder Relations	93,666
Antti Jääskeläinen³)	2016	1972	M.Sc. (Eng.), M.Sc. (Econ.), MBA	Finnish	Executive Vice President, UPM Raflatac	72,390
Mika Kekki	2021	1969	B.Sc.(Eng.)	Finnish	Executive Vice President, UPM Plywood	10,978
Juha Mäkelä	2008	1962	LL.M.	Finnish	General Counsel	106,259
Jaakko Nikkilä	2019	1967	M.Sc. (Eng.), eMBA	Finnish	Executive Vice President, UPM Specialty Papers	33,979
Massimo Reynaudo ⁴⁾	2021	1969	M.Sc. (Eng.)	Italian	Executive Vice President, UPM Communication Papers	15,832
Riitta Savonlahti	2004	1964	M.Sc. (Econ.)	Finnish	Executive Vice President, Human Resources	22,802
Winfried Schaur	2016	1965	Dipl.Ing. (FH)	German	Executive Vice President, Technology and UPM Biorefining	101,489
Kari Ståhlberg	2013	1971	M.Sc. (Eng.)	Finnish	Executive Vice President, Strategy	78,983
Aki Temmes ⁵⁾	2023	1977	M.Sc. (Econ.), eMBA	Finnish	Executive Vice President, UPM Fibres	5,437
Bernd Eikens ⁶⁾	2013-2023	1965	Ph.D.	German	Executive Vice President, UPM Fibres	n/a
Total						1,372,043

 $^{^{1)}}$ Including shares and share-based rights held by the executives' controlled entities, if any.

²⁾ Until 31 December 2023

^{3]} Interim Executive Vice President, UPM Communication Papers as of 15 January 2024 on top of his position as Eexecutive Vice President, UPM Raflatac

⁴⁾ President and CEO as of 1 January 2024 and EVP, UPM Communication Papers until 15 January 2024

⁵⁾ As of 1 December 2023

⁶⁾ Until 30 November 2023

Internal control, risk management and other control procedures

The purpose of the Company's internal control and risk management is to ensure that the Company's operations are effective, that financial and other information is reliable, and that the Company complies with the relevant regulations and operating principles. The Board of Directors, assisted by the Audit Committee, is responsible for monitoring and assessing the effectiveness of the Company's internal control and risk management systems. Internal audit assists the Board of Directors with monitoring by ensuring that the Group's control measures have been planned and set up effectively.

Risk management

UPM regards risk management as a systematic and proactive means to analyse and manage the opportunities and threats related to its business operations. It also includes careful planning and evaluation of future projects and business environments, in order to mitigate risks and capture opportunities. The Board of Directors has approved the Company's Risk Management Policy, which sets out the operating principles, as well as the roles and responsibilities regarding risk management, and defines the Company's risk management objectives and risk management process.

Risk management is an integral part of UPM's management system, as risk-taking is a normal part of business

operations. While executing strategies, UPM and its business areas, functions and manufacturing units are exposed to a number of uncertainties. Each business area, function and unit is responsible for identifying, measuring and managing risks related to its own operations and for reporting on risk exposures, risk management activities and results to its own management team and to the Risk Management function.

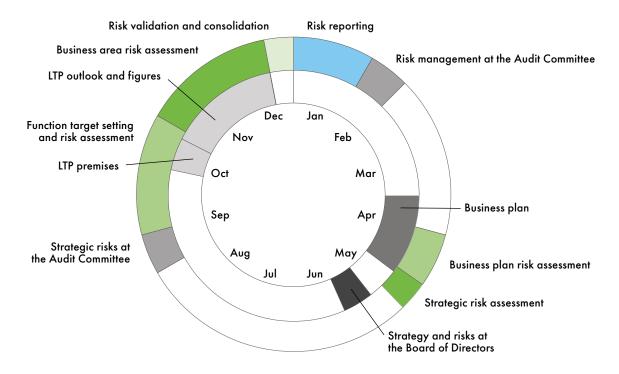
The Risk Management Committee, chaired by the CFO, is responsible for recommending risk tolerances and profiles to the President and CEO and the Strategy Team. The Strategy Team is responsible for aligning risk management priorities, business and risk management strategies and policies.

The Board of Directors, assisted by the Audit Committee, monitors and assesses the effectiveness of the Company's risk management systems and oversees the assessment and management of risks related to the Company's strategy and operations. The Audit Committee oversees that risk management activities are aligned with the Risk Management Policy and that risk assessments are used to guide internal audit and compliance activities.

Annual risk management cycle

The Company's annual risk management process is linked to the Company's long-term planning process (LTP), as presented in the illustration below.

ANNUAL RISK MANAGEMENT CYCLE



Internal control

Internal control is embedded in UPM's management system, and it supports the systematic execution of the Group strategy. Internal control is aimed at ensuring that the Company's operations are efficient, reliable and in compliance with statutory requirements, and that the Company's financial reporting is accurate, reliable and reflective of its operational results. The Board of Directors is responsible for ensuring that the Company has defined the operating principles of internal control and for monitoring and assessing the effectiveness of such control. The Audit Committee assists the Board in monitoring the internal control systems' effectiveness.

Internal control system

The Company has developed and implemented a comprehensive internal control system that covers business and

financial reporting processes. UPM's internal control framework is based on the internal control framework issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organisations of the Treadway Commission (COSO).

The five components of UPM's internal control system are:

- 1. Control environment
- 2. Risk assessment
- 3. Control activities
- 4. Information and communication
- 5. Monitoring activities

UPM's system of internal control can be described with the lines of defence model, which is reflected in UPM's risk management and control processes.

LINES OF DEFENCE IN UPM'S RISK MANAGEMENT AND INTERNAL CONTROL



Internal control pertaining to the financial reporting process

UPM's internal control framework is structured using a top-down, risk-based approach. The system of internal control pertaining to financial reporting is part of UPM's overall internal control framework and the effectiveness of internal control is also ensured through the context of using outsourced service providers. The maturity level of internal controls at UPM is assessed every other year and the results of the assessment are reported to the Audit Committee.

The five components of UPM's system on internal control in relation to financial reporting are described below.

Control environment

The Company's values and the UPM Code of Conduct, as well as the Group policies and guidelines, form the basis and set the tone for the internal control framework at UPM. The framework consists of:

- $\bullet \ \ A\,group-level\,structure$
- Group-level processes
- $\bullet \ \ Group-level\ controls$
- Business and support function controls

Internal control is part of the corporate culture, covering all levels and processes within the Group. The Company's management system enables effective monitoring of different parts of the Group. Internal control in its primary and most extensive form takes place at the operational level, where internal control is continuous and part of the day-to-day.

An essential part of the internal control environment is the control over UPM's IT applications and IT infrastructure. A special set of internal controls aim to ensure the reliability of UPM's IT systems and the segregation of duties in the IT environment.

Risk assessment

UPM's risk assessment with regard to financial reporting is aimed at identifying and evaluating the most significant risks that affect internal control in financial reporting within the Group's companies, business areas and processes. The risk assessment is used to create control targets to ensure that the fundamental demands placed on financial reporting are fulfilled and provide the basis for how risks are managed within the various control structures. The risk assessment is updated annually, together with the planned control actions and control targets, based on the assessment.

Control activities

Internal control activities pertaining to the financial reporting process are led centrally by Finance and Control function, which has an annual schedule and defined roles and responsibilities in the control process. The head of each unit or function organises the internal control of his or her unit or organisation. Finance and Control function is responsible for monitoring business-, function- and unit-level control processes. The aim of establishing control measures and setting up uniform testing and monitoring processes is to ensure that potential errors or deviations are prevented or detected and corrected accordingly.

Controls in joint operations managed by UPM are performed and tested in the same way as in other UPM companies. Joint operations not managed by UPM are not under UPM internal control processes. Annual management certification is requested from all joint operations to ensure compliant accounting practices and proper control processes pertaining to financial reporting.

With regard to financial reporting, the Group Accounting Manual sets out the instructions and guidelines for the preparation of consolidated financial statements. Finance and Control function specifies the design of the control points for the business processes, and the internal controls are implemented in the financial reporting process. Periodic control procedures are an essential part of the monthly and interim reporting process, and include the reconciliation and analytical reviews required to ensure that the reported data is correct.

The results of the control risk assessment and testing of the process-level controls are analysed and reported to the Audit Committee.

Information and communication

Internal controls pertaining to financial reporting are documented and filed in the internal control database. The internal control process is reviewed on an ongoing basis and includes possible changes in internal controls due to process or organisational changes. Regular communication from internal control process owners ensures detailed definitions of the controls and that the minimum requirements for the relevant internal controls are provided.

Monitoring activities

The Board of Directors, Audit Committee, President and CEO, Group Executive Team, Finance and Control function, and the different business areas are responsible for monitoring, and thus ensuring the effectiveness of internal controls. The effectiveness of the process for assessing risks and the execution of control activities is reviewed on an ongoing basis at various levels. Monitoring and reviewing includes reviewing monthly and quarterly financial reports, and comparing them to budgets and targets, key performance indicators and other analytical procedures.

The internal audit monitors and utilises the risk assessment and test results from management's control work.

Internal control planning procedures and results are documented and made available for the internal audit and auditors, as well as the management, during the annual process. Results are reported to the Audit Committee, business management and the control owners.

The business areas and global functions are accountable for assessing the effectiveness of the internal controls for which they are responsible. Self-assessment is a common practice at UPM. Key controls are also tested regularly by independent parties. The internal audit compares its audit work against control test results. Auditors evaluate and test UPM's internal controls as part of their audit work, and recommendations and observations that they make are taken into consideration when maintaining and developing the internal control.

Internal audit

UPM's internal audit assists the Company in achieving its objectives by providing a systematic and disciplined approach to evaluating and improving risk management, internal control and governance processes.

The internal audit follows the International Standards for the Professional Practice of Internal Auditing issued by the Institute of Internal Auditors. The operating principles of internal auditing have been defined in the Internal Audit Charter approved by the Audit Committee, and the Board of Directors monitors and assesses the effectiveness of the internal audit together with the Audit Committee. The Audit Committee annually approves Internal Audit's plan and budget, which form the framework for Internal Audit operations.

Internal audit work is independent and objective. Strategic focus areas and the related risks of UPM's businesses and functions are the key inputs for audit engagements. The internal audit contributes to identifying synergies, sharing best practices and recommends improvements to operational efficiency. The scope of the internal audit covers all businesses, functions, units and processes within the UPM Group.

In addition, Internal Audit manages the Report Misconduct channel and the related investigation process of alleged misconduct, and reports to the Audit Committee on submissions under this channel on a quarterly basis. In order to strengthen the speak-up culture and to harmonise the Company's procedures, principles, roles and responsibilities with regard to reporting and investigation of misconduct and other concerns, the Company's misconduct investigation protocol was updated in 2018.

Internal Audit operates administratively under the President and CEO, and functionally under the Audit Committee. It reports on conducted audits and related findings and recommendations to the Audit Committee, President and CEO, CFO, management of the audited operations and the auditor. The Head of Internal Audit attends all Audit Committee meetings and has quarterly sessions with the Committee members without other members of management present.

Related party transactions

The Company has identified its related parties and it is regularly engaged in transactions with some of these parties. These transactions relate to the Company's normal business operations and shall be in line with the purpose of the Company and executed on market or market-equivalent terms and practices generally observed and accepted within the industry in question (for example, so-called Mankala companies in the energy industry).

The Company's Board of Directors has defined and approved principles for monitoring and assessing related party transactions. These principles are documented in the Company's Approval Policy. The Audit Committee monitors and assesses how agreements and other legal acts between the Company and its related parties meet the requirements of ordinary course of business and market terms. The Audit

Committee also reviews any questions of potential conflicts of interest in contemplated transactions with the Company's related parties and makes recommendations to the Board for appropriate actions regarding these contemplated transactions. If the contemplated transaction deviates from the Company's normal business operations or would not be executed on market or market-equivalent terms, the transaction must either be cancelled or submitted to the Board of Directors for approval.

The related party transactions are monitored in co-operation with Finance and Control, and Legal and Compliance functions as a part of the Company's normal reporting and control procedures. Information on material transactions concluded between the Company and its related parties is disclosed annually in the notes on the Company's consolidated financial statements. When required under the applicable laws and regulations, material transactions conducted with related parties are also published via stock exchange release.

Insider administration

UPM follows the Guidelines for Insiders of Listed Companies issued by Nasdaq Helsinki Ltd. The UPM Insider Policy has been approved by the Board of Directors and, together with related rules and instructions, it complements applicable insider regulations and sets out guidelines for the Company's insider administration and persons involved in insider projects.

Organisation of insider administration

The Company's Chief Compliance Officer is in charge of the overall organisation of the Company's insider administration. UPM's Insider Administration comprises the General Counsel, the Chief Compliance Officer, the Director responsible for Group Legal and Legal Operations and the Insider Administrator. UPM's Insider Administration is responsible for monitoring compliance with Market Abuse Regulation (MAR), UPM Insider Policy and other applicable insider regulations and guidelines. It is also responsible for the ongoing supervision, management and administration of insider and other MAR-related matters, including the maintenance of insider lists, managers' transactions, notifications to managers, the Finnish Financial Supervisory Authority and other relevant parties, as well as for providing training and advice.

List of managers and closely associated persons

As required by MAR, UPM's Insider Administration maintains a list of persons discharging managerial responsibilities (MAR Managers) and their closely associated persons. Each MAR Manager and closely associated person is informed in writing of his/her position as such and the related obligations.

At UPM, MAR Managers include the members of the Board of Directors, the President and CEO, the Chief Financial Officer and the Executive Vice Presidents of the business areas. Based on UPM's governance structure, the above-mentioned executives are deemed to comprise the senior executives of the Company who have regular access to inside information relating to UPM, as well as the power to make managerial decisions affecting the future developments and business prospects of the Company.

List of financial information recipients

The Company also maintains a list of Company employees and other persons who have regular access to the Company's unpublished consolidated financial information based on their position, duties or access rights. Persons entered on this list are called "financial information recipients". Each financial information recipient is informed in writing of his/her position as such and the related obligations.

Trading restriction

The Company's MAR Managers and financial information recipients are prohibited from trading (on their own account or on the account of a third party), directly or indirectly, in the financial instruments linked to UPM during a closed period of 30 calendar days prior to the announcement and on the date of the actual announcement (30 + 1) of UPM's annual, half-year and quarterly financial reports.

Insider lists

UPM does not maintain a list of permanent insiders. Persons receiving inside information will be included in project-specific insider lists. UPM's Insider Administration is responsible for establishing, maintaining and updating insider lists when a decision to delay disclosure or to establish an insider project is taken. Each person included on an insider list is notified in writing of their inclusion on the list, together with the obligations and sanctions relating thereto. Persons possessing inside information are not allowed to trade in the financial instruments linked to the Company. Persons entered on a project-specific insider list are also notified in writing of the termination of the insider project and related obligations.

Whistleblowing

Any potential violations against UPM's Insider Policy or suspected infringements of financial market regulations, such as MAR and the Securities Markets Act, can be reported by using UPM's Report Misconduct channel. This channel is available on the corporate website and on UPM's intranet.

Auditor and auditor fees

The AGM 2023 elected the auditor for the financial period 2023 (PricewaterhouseCoopers Oy) and for the financial period 2024 (Ernst & Young Oy).

PricewaterhouseCoopers Oy, a firm of authorised public accountants, was re-elected as the Company's statutory auditor for the financial period 2023, with Authorised Public Accountant Mikko Nieminen as the lead audit partner.

Ernst & Young Oy, a firm of authorised public accountants, was elected as the company's auditor for the financial period 2024 with Authorised Public Accountant (KHT) Heikki Ilkka as the lead audit partner.

Preparation of the auditor rotation

The Company was obliged to organise an audit firm selection procedure in accordance with the EU Audit Regulation concerning the audit for the financial period 2024 (mandatory auditor rotation). The Articles of Association allows the Annual General Meeting to elect the auditor in advance for a term of one financial period. Electing an auditor for the financial period 2024 at the Annual General Meeting 2023 gave the elected auditor time to prepare for the new audit engagement.

The Board's Audit Committee prepared its recommendation in accordance with the EU Audit Regulation and organised a statutory audit firm selection procedure. The Committee reviewed potential audit firm candidates. The selected candidates were evaluated against a variety of selection criteria such as proposed audit plan and methodology, experience and composition of the audit team, and audit quality and price. The selection process included multiple rounds of information submissions, testing of technological capabilities, interviews and presentations by the candidates, and external reference checks. After careful consideration based on the selection criteria, Ernst & Young Oy became the Audit Committee's preference. Based on the Audit Committee's recommendation, the Board of Directors proposed to the AGM held on 12 April 2023 that Ernst & Young Oy be elected UPM's auditor for the financial period 2024.

Auditor's fee

According to the resolution of the AGM, the auditors' fees for the financial period 2023 and the financial period 2024 be paid against invoices approved by the Board of Directors' Audit Committee. The amounts paid to the auditor, as approved by the Audit Committee, are shown in the table below.

AUDITOR'S FEES

EUR MILLION	2023	2022	2021
Audit fee	4.4	4.0	3.4
Audit-related services	0.2	0.2	0.2
Tax services	0.3	0.3	0.4
Other services	0.1	0.1	0.2
Total	5.0	4.6	4.2

In 2023, auditor's fees include EUR 0.2 (0.2) million related to audit services, EUR 0.0 (0.0) million related to tax services and EUR 0.1 (0.1) million related to other services paid to PwC Oy.



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