

## Press Release

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### **Chairman of the Supervisory Board of Vonovia SE resigns**

*Bochum, Germany, August 26, 2017* – The chairman of the supervisory board of Vonovia SE (Vonovia), Dr. Wulf H. Bernotat, today informed the management board of the company that he is resigning from his office with immediate effect for health reasons and is therefore retiring from the supervisory board prior to the end of his current term.

Rolf Buch, the CEO of Vonovia, thanked Dr. Wulf H. Bernotat in the name of the management board. "We deeply regret losing Dr. Bernotat as chairman of the supervisory board and wish him the best of health. He played a pivotal role in shaping the development of our company and always emphasized the importance of good corporate governance. The entire management board and the employees of Vonovia are greatly indebted to Dr. Bernotat for the dedication he demonstrated as supervisory board member and for his outstanding cooperation and trustworthiness."

Dr. Wulf H. Bernotat chaired the supervisory board since June 2013 and accompanied the real estate company on its path from its IPO into the MDAX, and finally into the DAX 30. As a chairman he always acted and thought as an entrepreneur, and with this mind-set he supported the strategic repositioning of Vonovia.

From 2003 to 2010, Dr. Wulf H. Bernotat was the CEO of E.ON AG. Prior to this, he had an international career at Shell and Veba and served as CEO of Stinnes AG. Dr. Wulf H. Bernotat was born in Göttingen in 1948, where he also completed his law studies.

Vonovia intends to fill the vacancy on the supervisory board in the regular supervisory board elections to take place at the next annual general meeting in May 2018.

Until the supervisory board elects a new chairman, the deputy chairman of the supervisory board, Prof. Dr. Edgar Ernst, will assume the responsibilities of the chairman.

The supervisory board of Vonovia SE: Prof. Dr. Edgar Ernst (Chairman), Burkhard Ulrich Drescher, Dr. Florian Funck, Dr. Ute Geipel-Faber, Hendrik Jellema, Daniel Just, Hildegard Müller, Prof. Dr. Klaus Rauscher, Dr. Ariane Reinhart, Clara-Christina Streit and Christian Ulbrich.

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Vonovia SE is Germany's leading nationwide residential real estate company. Vonovia currently owns and manages around 355,000 residential units in all of Germany's attractive cities and regions. Its portfolio is worth approximately € 30.8 billion. As a modern service company, Vonovia focuses on customer orientation and tenant satisfaction. Offering tenants affordable, attractive and livable homes is a prerequisite for the company's successful development. Accordingly, Vonovia makes long-term investments in the maintenance, modernization and senior-friendly conversion of its properties. The company will also be creating more and more new apartments by realizing infill developments and adding to existing buildings.

The company, which is based in Bochum, has been listed on the stock exchange since 2013 and on the DAX 30 since September 2015. Vonovia SE is also listed on the international indices STOXX Europe 600, MSCI Germany, GPR 250 and EPRA/NAREIT Europe. Vonovia has a workforce of approximately 8,300 employees.

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