

**Communiqué de presse**

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**Emission réussie des droits de souscription de Bell Food Group : 99.15% des droits de souscription pour de nouvelles actions nominatives ont été exercés**

La période de souscription pour les nouvelles actions nominatives dans le cadre de l'augmentation de capital ordinaire avec droits de souscription de Bell Food Group AG (« Bell Food Group ») a pris fin aujourd'hui à 12h00 (CEST). Au total, 2'285'712 nouvelles actions nominatives ont été proposées aux actionnaires actuels de Bell Food Group ; sur sept actions nominatives détenues, quatre nouvelles actions nominatives ont pu être souscrites au prix d'exercice de CHF 268.00 l'action nominative.

A l'échéance de la période de souscription, des droits de souscription ont été exercés pour 2'266'188 nouvelles actions, ce qui correspond à environ 99.15% des nouvelles actions. Les 19'524 actions pour lesquelles le droit de souscription n'a pas été exercé dans le délai de souscription imparti sont vendues sur le marché.

Coop a, comme annoncé, exercé tous les droits de souscription qui lui étaient attribués et détiennent désormais, au terme de l'augmentation de capital, 4'166'796 actions de Bell Food Group, soit une participation inchangée de 66.29%. Avec l'augmentation de capital, le capital-actions de Bell Food Group s'accroît de CHF 1'142'856 pour s'établir à CHF 3'142'856, subdivisé en 6'285'712 actions nominatives d'une valeur nominale de 0.50 CHF chacune. Le premier jour de négoce des nouvelles actions à la SIX Swiss Exchange sera probablement le 8 juin 2018. La date de livraison des nouvelles actions contre règlement du prix de souscription est également prévue pour le 8 juin 2018.

Une fois l'augmentation de capital finalisée, un produit brut de CHF 612.6 millions sera versé à Bell Food Group, qui sera affecté au refinancement du rachat de Hügli Holding Aktiengesellschaft, au financement du programme d'investissement stratégique annoncé pour les sites de production en Suisse ainsi qu'à la nouvelle croissance du secteur Convenience.

**A propos de Bell Food Group**

Bell Food Group compte parmi les principaux transformateurs européens de viande et de produits Convenience. L'offre comprend de la viande, de la volaille, de la charcuterie, des produits des gammes Seafood et Convenience ainsi que des salades précoupées. Les marques Bell, Hilcona et Eisberg permettent au groupe de répondre à des attentes diversifiées. Les clients représentent notamment le commerce de détail, le Food Service ainsi que l'industrie alimentaire. Un effectif de plus de 10 000 personnes a réalisé un chiffre d'affaires de CHF 3,6 milliards. Bell Food Group est coté à la Bourse suisse.

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