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Syngenta Board proposes to elect two new directors at AGM

Syngenta announced today that the Board will propose the election of two new directors, Eleni Gabre-Madhin and Eveline Saupper, at the Annual General Meeting on April 23, 2013. In addition to the Chairman, Martin Taylor, three current directors – Peggy Bruzelius, Peter Thompson and Felix Weber – will retire on the same date, having completed their terms of office. The Board will also propose the re-election of Michael Mack and of Jacques Vincent.

Martin Taylor said: “My departing colleagues have served Syngenta with distinction. I offer them my sincere thanks for the contribution they have made to the company’s development since its foundation in 2000. The proposed new members bring a broad range of skills and experience: I am very pleased that two such eminent candidates have agreed to stand for election.”

Eleni Gabre-Madhin is the co-founder and CEO of eleni LLC, which supports the formation of commodity exchanges across Africa, helping to promote food security. She also founded and was CEO of the Ethiopia Commodity Exchange. Previously, she worked for the World Bank and the International Food Policy Research Institute. She holds an MSc in Agricultural Economics from Michigan State University and PhD in Applied Economics from Stanford University.

Eveline Saupper is a Partner and Director with commercial law firm Homburger AG in Zurich. She is also a member of the Board of Directors of Bâloise Holding AG and Hostettler, Kramarsch & Partner Holding AG. Before joining Homburger in 1985, she worked as a tax specialist with Peat Marwick Mitchell (today KPMG) in Zurich. She holds both a degree and PhD in law from the University of St. Gallen. She is admitted to the Bar of Zurich and is a certified tax expert.

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