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With its Chief Economist Thomas Gitzel, VP Bank is proud to have one of Germany's most influential economists on its team - as confirmed by a German ranking produced by the Swiss institute Media Tenor for the New Social Market Economy Initiative.

Alongside media presence, the German ranking measures overall scientific activity, policy advice and traction on social networks. VP Bank Chief Economist Thomas Gitzel is one of Germany's most influential economists, ranking 55 in the highly select group of the top 100 leading national and international economists. In a comparison of the most frequently cited economists in the major German-language media, Gitzel ranks among the top 10 in the "Economy" and "Companies/Branches" categories, securing 9th place in each case. In the overall media presence ranking, Gitzel stands out as one of the few bank economists in the top tier, coming in at number 24.

In a large number of publications, the bank's Research division gives its take on trends in major economies, the international financial markets as well as current and relevant topics in the policy sphere. VP Bank Chief Economist Dr Thomas Gitzel analyses and comments on the most important developments in the world of economics and finance - and provides an assessment of their impact on economic growth, companies and markets.

"This result reaffirms our philosophy at VP Bank. We respond to market events immediately and provide our analysis to clients", comments Dr Felix Brill, Chief Investment Officer and head of research at VP Bank, reacting to the excellent economist ranking result.

Dr Thomas Gitzel: "The excellent economist ranking score also reflects the strong teamwork within VP Bank's research department. Our sheer depth of skill hones our analytical thinking."

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## Corporate calendar:

2024 annual results 13 March 2025 62nd ordinary annual general meeting 25 April 2025



## Facts and figures of VP Bank Group

VP Bank Ltd was established in 1956 and, with around 1,000 employees, is one of the largest banks in Liechtenstein. VP Bank has an international presence, with locations in Vaduz, Zurich, Luxembourg, Singapore, Hong Kong and Road Town (British Virgin Islands). Its core competencies include the development of customised financial solutions for intermediaries and private individuals. In addition, the Group has an international fund competence centre. As of 30 June 2024, client assets under management of VP Bank Group amounted to CHF 50.4 billion. VP Bank is listed on the SIX Swiss Exchange and has an "A-" rating from Standard & Poor's.