

### Declaration of Compliance with the German Corporate Governance Code

The Supervisory Board and Managing Board resolved with effect on 6 June 2024 to implement the recommendations of the Government Commission on the German Corporate Governance Code with the exceptions stated below, and to issue the following updated Declaration of Compliance pursuant to Section 161 of the German Stock Corporation Act (AktG). The Declaration relates to the Code version of 28 April 2022, which was published in the Federal Official Gazette on 27 June 2022.

Owing to the size of the firm and company-specific features, init innovation in traffic systems SE complies with the recommendations of the Government Commission on the German Corporate Governance Code with the following exceptions:

## **B.** Composition of the Managing Board

#### B.5. An age limit shall be specified for members of the Managing Board

The Managing Board should have a diverse age structure. No specific targets regarding the age of individual or all members of the Managing Board have been stipulated, as this would restrict the Supervisory Board in selecting suitable Managing Board members. init operates in a market that requires flexibility, special expertise and many years of experience.

### C. Composition of the Supervisory Board

#### I General Requirements and Independence of Supervisory Board Members

#### C.2. An age limit shall be specified for members of the Supervisory Board

The persons put forward for election to the Supervisory Board should provide assurance, based on their professional expertise, skills and experience, their integrity, their ethical conduct, independence and personality that they can responsibly carry out the duties of a supervisory board member in a leading international technology firm for the mobility sector. init's Supervisory Board is convinced that a strict general restriction on membership on the Supervisory Board which does not consider the respective Supervisory Board member individually, is not an appropriate method to further improve and professionalise the work of the Supervisory Board. The company's interests in searching for suitable candidates is better served by a flexible composition of the Supervisory Board with different terms of office and experience and practical consideration of a diverse age structure. Finally, the company has published the terms of office of each Supervisory Board member for some time, thus enabling the shareholders to decide for themselves about the individual suitability of the re-election of a member of the Supervisory Board.



C.10. The chairperson of the Supervisory Board, the chairperson of the audit committee and the chairperson of the committee dealing with the remuneration of the Managing Board should be independent of the company and the Managing Board. The chairperson of the audit committee should also be independent of the controlling shareholder.

The Chairperson of the Supervisory Board of the company, Mr Andreas Thun, is the sole shareholder of Landsensor GmbH, which has a business relationship with a subsidiary of init SE.

From the point of view of the company, this circumstance does not constitute a conflict of interest, nor does it impair the performance of the office of the Chairperson of the Supervisory Board.

In all other respects, recommendation C.10 of the GCGC has been and is complied with. The Chairman of the Audit Committee and the Chairman of the Personnel and Nomination Committee of the company's Supervisory Board are independent within the meaning of this recommendation.

This means that more than half of the members of the Supervisory Board are independent of the company and the Managing Board. The company considers the composition of the Supervisory Board to be appropriate and the entire Supervisory Board of init SE can be regarded as independent.

# G. Remuneration of the Managing Board and Supervisory Board

## I Remuneration of the Managing Board

<u>G.1. The remuneration system should define in particular the financial and non-financial performance</u> <u>criteria relevant for the granting of variable remuneration components</u>

The granting of variable remuneration components is determined by financial criteria; no nonfinancial performance criteria are defined for the granting of variable remuneration components. Sustainability criteria have already been considered through init's product portfolio and the purpose of the company.

<u>G.7. Referring to the forthcoming financial year, the Supervisory Board will establish performance</u> <u>criteria for each Managing Board member covering all variable remuneration components; besides</u> <u>operating targets, such performance criteria should be geared mainly to strategic targets</u>

It is the strategic target of the company to achieve average long-term revenue growth of 10-15 per cent per year. Additionally, it is intended to continuously increase both the absolute and the relative EBIT. The company strives for a minimum EBIT rate of 10 per cent. The share price should be raised appropriately. A focus on these targets is achieved through the regulations and performance criteria used to determine the criteria for the variable remuneration components. The regulations apply for the entire contractual term and are not redefined every year. The performance criteria are based on the earnings development of the company (EBIT).. Assuming the EBIT margin remains constant (ceteris paribus), long-term average revenue growth of 10-15 per cent will lead to an increase in the absolute EBIT value and, in accordance with regulations, will lead to higher variable remuneration components. Likewise, assuming constant revenues (ceteris paribus), an increase in the relative EBIT will lead to higher variable remuneration components. The distribution of shares with a lock-up period of five years also ensures a focus on the share price and a long-term target. In this way, the regulations support the achievement of operating and strategic targets.



## II Remuneration of the Supervisory Board

<u>G.17 The remuneration of the Supervisory Board members should appropriately take into account</u> the larger amount of time required of the Chairperson and the Deputy Chairperson of the Supervisory <u>Board</u>

The larger amount of time required of the Chairperson of the Supervisory Board was appropriately taken into account for the remuneration. The larger amount of time required does not apply to the Deputy Chairperson of the init Supervisory Board.

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