

## **Kärntner Ausgleichszahlungs-Fonds**

### **Offer of Kärntner Ausgleichszahlungs-Fonds to Acquire certain HETA Debt Instruments Commenced Today - Offer Period Runs from 6 September 2016 and Ends 7 October 2016**

Klagenfurt, 6 September 2016 – Kärntner Ausgleichszahlungs-Fonds (K-AF) today launched the offers to acquire certain HETA ASSET RESOLUTION AG claims from creditors for which the Province of Carinthia, Kärntner Beteiligungsverwaltung and the fund "*Sondervermögen Kärnten*" as the legal successors of Kärntner Landes- und Hypothekenbank Holding are statutorily liable as deficiency guarantors. The offers are made on the terms and subject to the conditions set forth in the offering memorandum dated 6 September 2016 (the "Offering Memorandum") and the accompanying tender instructions. The offer period runs from 6 September 2016 until 7 October 2016.

The details of the offers are published as of today on the website of K-AF at <http://kaerntner-ausgleichszahlungsfonds.gv.at>. In addition to the publication of the offers on the website of K-AF, to ensure full transparency, certain additional information related to the offers that is relevant for creditors are available on the website of the Province of Carinthia ([www.ktn.gv.at](http://www.ktn.gv.at)) or on the website of *Sondervermögen Kärnten* ([www.sondervermoegen-kaernten.gv.at](http://www.sondervermoegen-kaernten.gv.at)).

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