

DOĞUŞ OTOMOTİV SERVİS VE TİCARET A.Ş. Corporate Governance Compliance Report 2018 - Annuel Notification

Summary Info

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Corporate Governance Compliance Report

Related Companies

Related Funds

	Company Compliance Status					Explanation
	Yes	Partial	No	Exempted	Not Applicable	
Corporate Governance Compliance Report						
1.1. FACILITATING THE EXERCISE OF SHAREHOLDER RIGHTS						
1.1.2- Up-to-date information and disclosures which may affect the exercise of shareholder rights are available to investors at the corporate website.	X					
1.2. RIGHT TO OBTAIN AND REVIEW INFORMATION						
1.2.1 - Management did not enter into any transaction that would complicate the conduct of special audit.	X					
1.3. GENERAL ASSEMBLY						
1.3.2 - The company ensures the clarity of the General Assembly agenda, and that an item on the agenda does not cover multiple topics.	X					
1.3.7- Insiders with privileged information have informed the board of directors about transactions conducted on their behalf within the scope of the company's activities in order for these transactions to be presented at the General Shareholders' Meeting.	X					
1.3.8 - Members of the board of directors who are concerned with specific agenda items, auditors, and other related persons, as well as the officers who are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements were present at the General Shareholders' Meeting.	X					
1.3.10 - The agenda of the General Shareholders' Meeting included a separate item detailing the amounts and beneficiaries of all donations and contributions.	X					
1.3.11 - The General Shareholders' Meeting was held open to the public, including the stakeholders, without having the right to speak.	X					
1.4. VOTING RIGHTS						
1.4.1 - There is no restriction preventing shareholders from exercising their shareholder rights.	X					
1.4.2 - The company does not have shares that carry privileged voting rights.	X					
1.4.3-The company withholds from exercising its voting rights at the General Shareholders' Meeting of any company with which it has cross-ownership, in case such cross-ownership provides management control.	X					
1.5. MINORITY RIGHTS						
1.5.1 - The company pays maximum diligence to the exercise of minority rights.	X					
1.5.2 - The Articles of Association extend the use of minority rights to those who own less than one twentieth of the outstanding shares, and expand the scope of the minority rights.			X			Diligence is paid to the exercise of minority rights. However, broadening the scope of rights and extending these rights to shareholders holding less than one-twentieth of the capital of the corporation are not included in the Articles of Association.
1.6. DIVIDEND RIGHT						
1.6.1 - The dividend policy approved by the General Shareholders' Meeting is posted on the company website.	X					
1.6.2 - The dividend distribution policy comprises the minimum information to ensure that the shareholders can have an opinion on the procedure and principles of dividend distributions in the future.	X					
1.6.3 - The reasons for retaining earnings, and their allocations, are stated in the relevant agenda item.					X	
						It has been determined by taking into consideration the country’s economy and

1.6.4 - The board reviewed whether the dividend policy balances the benefits of the shareholders and those of the company.	X					the condition of the industry and by maintaining a balance between our shareholders' expectations and the needs of our Company.
1.7. TRANSFER OF SHARES						
1.7.1 - There are no restrictions preventing shares from being transferred.	X					
2.1. CORPORATE WEBSITE						
2.1.1. - The company website includes all elements listed in Corporate Governance Principle 2.1.1.	X					
2.1.2 - The shareholding structure (names, privileges, number and ratio of shares, and beneficial owners of more than 5% of the issued share capital) is updated on the website at least every 6 months.	X					
2.1.4 - The company website is prepared in other selected foreign languages, in a way to present exactly the same information with the Turkish content.	X					
2.2. ANNUAL REPORT						
2.2.1 - The board of directors ensures that the annual report represents a true and complete view of the company's activities.	X					
2.2.2 - The annual report includes all elements listed in Corporate Governance Principle 2.2.2.	X					
3.1. CORPORATION'S POLICY ON STAKEHOLDERS						
3.1.1- The rights of the stakeholders are protected pursuant to the relevant regulations, contracts and within the framework of bona fides principles.	X					
3.1.3 - Policies or procedures addressing stakeholders' rights are published on the company's website.	X					
3.1.4 - A whistleblowing programme is in place for reporting legal and ethical issues.	X					Regarding the protection /use of assets, ensuring the company's safety, and detection/prevention of fraud, there are mechanisms in place to allow stakeholders to report these instances to the Early Risk Detection Committee or the Audit Committee. All Doğuş Otomotiv employees can report incidents in conflict or potentially in conflict with the Code of Ethics by calling Ethics Line openly or anonymously, if preferred.
3.1.5 - The company addresses conflicts of interest among stakeholders in a balanced manner.	X					
3.2. SUPPORTING THE PARTICIPATION OF THE STAKEHOLDERS IN THE CORPORATION'S MANAGEMENT						
3.2.1 - The Articles of Association, or the internal regulations (terms of reference/manuals), regulate the participation of employees in management.	X					There are no provisions in the Company's Articles of Association, however there are regulations in the company. Support mechanisms and models have been devised to ensure the employees' and stakeholders' participation in the management of the Company. In addition to involving employees in decision-making mechanisms to the extent of their authority and responsibilities, online platforms have been established on the intranet for them to share their requests, suggestions and opinions . The contributions that employees provide as part of the Suggestion and Award System are reviewed by authorized teams and awarded when deemed necessary.

						The answers to the social , environmental and economic topics included in the employee satisfaction surveys to understand employee expectations are consolidated and published in the Corporate Sustainability Report, and regularly presented to senior management. Activities of the Corporate Responsibility Working Group, composed of delegates from all departments, are regularly shared with the Corporate Governance and Sustainability Committee reporting to the Board of Directors.
3.2.2 - Surveys/other research techniques, consultation, interviews, observation method etc. were conducted to obtain opinions from stakeholders on decisions that significantly affect them.	X					The answers to the social , environmental and economic topics included in the employee satisfaction surveys to understand employee expectations are consolidated and published in the Corporate Sustainability Report, and regularly presented to senior management. In addition , an independent firm regularly conducts customer satisfaction surveys. Customer requests received by Customer Relations and the results of customer surveys are evaluated by the responsible departments, and necessary updates are implemented.
3.3. HUMAN RESOURCES POLICY						
3.3.1 - The company has adopted an employment policy ensuring equal opportunities, and a succession plan for all key managerial positions.	X					
3.3.2 - Recruitment criteria are documented.	X					
3.3.3 - The company has a policy on human resources development, and organises trainings for employees.	X					
3.3.4 - Meetings have been organised to inform employees on the financial status of the company, remuneration, career planning, education and health.	X					
3.3.5 - Employees, or their representatives, were notified of decisions impacting them. The opinion of the related trade unions was also taken.		X				Employees are informed about the decisions that may affect employees, but there is no syndicate structure.
3.3.6 - Job descriptions and performance criteria have been prepared for all employees, announced to them and taken into account to determine employee remuneration.	X					
3.3.7 - Measures (procedures, trainings, raising awareness, goals, monitoring, complaint mechanisms) have been taken to prevent discrimination, and to protect employees against any physical, mental, and emotional mistreatment.	X					
3.3.8 - The company ensures freedom of association and supports the right for collective bargaining.			X			There is no collective labour agreement.
3.3.9 - A safe working environment for employees is maintained.	X					
3.4. RELATIONS WITH CUSTOMERS AND SUPPLIERS						
3.4.1-The company measured its customer satisfaction, and operated to ensure full customer satisfaction.	X					
3.4.2 - Customers are notified of any delays in handling their requests.	X					
3.4.3 - The company complied with the quality standards with respect to its products and services.	X					
3.4.4 - The company has in place adequate controls to protect the confidentiality of sensitive information and business secrets of its customers and suppliers.	X					
3.5. ETHICAL RULES AND SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY						

3.5.1 - The board of the corporation has adopted a code of ethics, disclosed on the corporate website.	X					
3.5.2-The company has been mindful of its social responsibility and has adopted measures to prevent corruption and bribery.	X					
4.1. ROLE OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS						
4.1.1 - The board of directors has ensured strategy and risks do not threaten the long-term interests of the company, and that effective risk management is in place.	X					
4.1.2 - The agenda and minutes of board meetings indicate that the board of directors discussed and approved strategy, ensured resources were adequately allocated, and monitored company and management performance.	X					
4.2. ACTIVITIES OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS						
4.2.1-The board of directors documented its meetings and reported its activities to the shareholders.	X					
4.2.2 - Duties and authorities of the members of the board of directors are disclosed in the annual report.	X					
4.2.3-The board has ensured the company has an internal control framework adequate for its activities, size and complexity.	X					
4.2.4 - Information on the functioning and effectiveness of the internal control system is provided in the annual report.	X					
4.2.5 - The roles of the Chairman and Chief Executive Officer are separated and defined.			X			At the first board of directors meeting following the ordinary general assembly that convened on 29 March 2018, duties were distributed among the directors, and the director, who is also the CEO of the company, was named the chairman. The detailed resolution on the election of the chairman, who is also the CEO, was announced the same day on the Public Disclosure Platform in accordance with Corporate Governance Principles. The announcement stated: “Due to the decrease in the number of directors on the Board and considering Chairman Emir Ali Bilaloğlu’s long years of experience serving both as a Board member and also as CEO, it has been found appropriate that the positions of Chairman of the Board of Directors and CEO are filled by the same person.”
4.2.7-The board of directors ensures that the Investor Relations department and the corporate governance committee work effectively. The board works closely with them when communicating and settling disputes with shareholders.	X					
4.2.8 - The company has subscribed to a Directors and Officers liability insurance covering more than 25% of the capital.	X					
4.3. STRUCTURE OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS						
4.3.9 - The board of directors has approved the policy on its own composition, setting a minimal target of 25% for female directors. The board annually evaluates its composition and nominates directors so as to be compliant with the policy.	X					
4.3.10 - At least one member of the audit committee has 5 years of experience in audit/accounting and finance.	X					
4.4. BOARD MEETING PROCEDURES						
4.4.1-Each board member attended the majority of the board meetings in person.	X					
4.4.2 - The board has formally approved a minimum time by which information and documents relevant to the agenda items should be supplied to all board members.	X					
4.4.3 - The opinions of board members that could not attend the meeting, but did submit their opinion in written format, were presented to other members.	X					
4.4.4 - Each member of the board has one vote.	X					

4.4.5 - The board has a charter/written internal rules defining the meeting procedures of the board.	X					
4.4.6 - Board minutes document that all items on the agenda are discussed, and board resolutions include director's dissenting opinions if any.	X					
4.4.7-There are limits to external commitments of board members. Shareholders are informed of board members' external commitments at the General Shareholders' Meeting.	X					
4.5. BOARD COMMITTEES						
4.5.5 - Board members serve in only one of the Board's committees.			X			The Board of Directors is made up of six directors, including one with executive duties. Therefore, every director on the Board, except the one with executive duties , also serves on multiple committees to contribute with their knowledge and experience. The director with executive duties does not serve on any committee.
4.5.6 - Committees have invited persons to the meetings as deemed necessary to obtain their views.	X					
4.5.7 - If external consultancy services are used, the independence of the provider is stated in the annual report.	X					
4.5.8 - Minutes of all committee meetings are kept and reported to board members.	X					
4.6. FINANCIAL RIGHTS						
4.6.1-The board of directors has conducted a board performance evaluation to review whether it has discharged all its responsibilities effectively.		X				Even though self-criticism and performance assessments are carried out on the Board of Directors, members are neither awarded nor discharged from their duties as a result of these evaluations. However, participation of the Board Members in the Board of Directors and Committee meetings, their contributions, and sharing of knowledge, knowhow and experience are taken into account, and the performance of the Board of Directors as a whole is assessed biannually. The Remuneration and Nomination Committee, during its meeting on 4 October 2018, has resolved that “ Assessment and iInterview of the Board of Directors be held the following year (in the October – November 2019 period) in order to review the performance of the new Board Members after they have completed a one year of service on the Board”.
4.6.4-The company did not extend any loans to its board directors or executives, nor extended their lending period or enhanced the amount of those loans, or improve conditions thereon, and did not extend loans under a personal credit title by third parties or provided guarantees such as surety in favour of them.	X					
4.6.5 - The individual remuneration of board members and executives is disclosed in the annual report.			X			All remunerations as well as all benefits provided to Board Members and executives with administrative responsibilities are disclosed to the public as an aggregate sum through the annual report.