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# SASA announces a new mandate and virtual meetings for a potential inaugural Convertible Bond transaction

8 June 2021 – Adana, Turkey – SASA Polyester Sanayi A.Ş. (ISIN: TRASASAW91E4) ("**SASA**" or the "**Company**") has mandated BNP Paribas and HSBC to arrange a series of virtual meetings with equity-linked and fixed income investors commencing on 8 June 2021.

A Euro-denominated Reg S, guaranteed senior unsecured Convertible Bond offering may follow, subject to market conditions. New issue proceeds will be used for refinancing existing debt, financing current and future investments and for general corporate purposes.

The Company will be represented by:

- Güven Kaya Vice General Manager, New Investments (SASA)
- Bülent Yılmazel Financial Affairs and Investor Relations Manager (SASA)
- İbrahim M. Turhan Founding Chairperson (Quanta Financial Advisory)

A registration link and details will be provided upon request (subject to identity verification and compliance with all applicable securities laws). Prospective attendees are requested to approach their usual equity-linked contacts at BNP Paribas or HSBC.

Further information on SASA is available at: <a href="https://www.sasa.com.tr/en">https://www.sasa.com.tr/en</a> and <a href="https://www.sasa.com.tr/">https://www.sasa.com.tr/en</a>

### **About SASA**

SASA is a leading producer in the world for polyester staple fibers, filament yarns, polyester-based and specialty polymers and intermediates (DMT). Combining and blending a leadership responsibility in industry with a powerful technical inheritance and a high production capacity, SASA successfully manages the whole process from design to production and distribution. SASA began its activities in polyester sector in 1966. Since its establishment, the company has been one of the pioneer corporations in its field, demonstrating rapid growth thanks to the incessant investments.

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SOLELY FOR THE PURPOSES OF THE PRODUCT GOVERNANCE REQUIREMENTS CONTAINED WITHIN: (A) EU DIRECTIVE 2014/65/EU ON MARKETS IN FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS, AS AMENDED ("MIFID II"); (B) ARTICLES 9 AND 10 OF COMMISSION DELEGATED DIRECTIVE (EU) 2017/593 SUPPLEMENTING MIFID II; AND (C) LOCAL IMPLEMENTING MEASURES IN THE EEA; (D) REGULATION (EU) NO 600/2014 AS IT FORMS PART OF UNITED KINGDOM DOMESTIC LAW BY VIRTUE OF THE EUWA ("UK MIFIR"); AND (E) THE FCA HANDBOOK PRODUCT INTERVENTION AND PRODUCT GOVERNANCE SOURCEBOOK (TOGETHER, THE "PRODUCT GOVERNANCE REQUIREMENTS"), AND DISCLAIMING ALL AND ANY LIABILITY, WHETHER ARISING IN TORT, CONTRACT OR OTHERWISE. WHICH ANY "MANUFACTURER" (FOR THE PURPOSES OF THE PRODUCT GOVERNANCE REQUIREMENTS) MAY OTHERWISE HAVE WITH RESPECT THERETO. THE BONDS HAVE BEEN SUBJECT TO A PRODUCT APPROVAL PROCESS, WHICH HAS DETERMINED THAT: (I) THE TARGET MARKET FOR THE BONDS IS (A) IN THE EEA, ELIGIBLE COUNTERPARTIES AND PROFESSIONAL CLIENTS ONLY, EACH AS DEFINED IN MIFID II AND (B) IN THE UNITED KINGDOM. ELIGIBLE COUNTERPARTIES (AS DEFINED IN THE FCA HANDBOOK CONDUCT OF BUSINESS SOURCEBOOK) AND PROFESSIONAL CLIENTS (AS DEFINED IN UK MIFIR): AND (II) ALL CHANNELS FOR DISTRIBUTION OF THE BONDS TO ELIGIBLE COUNTERPARTIES AND PROFESSIONAL CLIENTS ARE APPROPRIATE. ANY PERSON SUBSEQUENTLY OFFERING, SELLING OR RECOMMENDING THE BONDS (A "DISTRIBUTOR") SHOULD TAKE INTO CONSIDERATION THE MANUFACTURERS' TARGET MARKET ASSESSMENT: HOWEVER, A DISTRIBUTOR SUBJECT TO MIFID II OR THE FCA HANDBOOK PRODUCT INTERVENTION AND PRODUCT GOVERNANCE SOURCEBOOK IS RESPONSIBLE FOR UNDERTAKING ITS OWN TARGET MARKET ASSESSMENT IN RESPECT OF THE BONDS (BY EITHER ADOPTING OR REFINING THE MANUFACTURERS' TARGET MARKET ASSESSMENT) AND DETERMINING APPROPRIATE DISTRIBUTION CHANNELS.

THE TARGET MARKET ASSESSMENT IS WITHOUT PREJUDICE TO THE REQUIREMENTS OF ANY CONTRACTUAL OR LEGAL SELLING RESTRICTIONS IN RELATION TO ANY OFFERING OF THE BONDS.

FOR THE AVOIDANCE OF DOUBT, THE TARGET MARKET ASSESSMENT DOES NOT CONSTITUTE: (A) AN ASSESSMENT OF SUITABILITY OR APPROPRIATENESS FOR THE PURPOSES OF MIFID II OR UK MIFIR; OR (B) A RECOMMENDATION TO ANY INVESTOR OR GROUP OF INVESTORS TO INVEST IN, OR PURCHASE, OR TAKE ANY OTHER ACTION WHATSOEVER WITH RESPECT TO THE BONDS.

THE BONDS ARE NOT INTENDED TO BE OFFERED, SOLD OR OTHERWISE MADE AVAILABLE TO AND SHOULD NOT BE OFFERED, SOLD OR OTHERWISE MADE AVAILABLE TO ANY RETAIL INVESTOR IN THE EEA OR THE UNITED KINGDOM. FOR THESE PURPOSES, A "RETAIL INVESTOR" MEANS (A) IN THE EEA, A PERSON WHO IS ONE (OR MORE) OF: (I) A "RETAIL CLIENT" AS DEFINED IN POINT (11) OF ARTICLE 4(1) OF MIFID II; OR (II) A "CUSTOMER" WITHIN THE MEANING OF DIRECTIVE (EU) 2016/97, WHERE THAT CUSTOMER WOULD NOT QUALIFY AS A "PROFESSIONAL CLIENT" AS DEFINED IN POINT (10) OF ARTICLE 4(1) OF MIFID II AND (B) IN THE UNITED KINGDOM, A PERSON WHO IS ONE (OR MORE) OF (I) A "RETAIL CLIENT", AS DEFINED IN POINT (8) OF ARTICLE 2 OF REGULATION (EU) NO 2017/565 AS IT FORMS PART OF UNITED KINGDOM DOMESTIC LAW BY VIRTUE OF THE EUWA OR (II) A "CUSTOMER" WITHIN THE MEANING OF THE PROVISIONS OF THE FINANCIAL SERVICES AND MARKETS ACT 2000 OF THE UNITED KINGDOM (THE "FSMA") AND ANY RULES OR REGULATIONS MADE UNDER THE FSMA TO IMPLEMENT DIRECTIVE (EU) 2016/97, WHERE THAT CUSTOMER WOULD NOT QUALIFY AS A "PROFESSIONAL CLIENT", AS DEFINED IN POINT (8) OF ARTICLE 2(1) OF REGULATION (EU) NO 600/2014 AS IT FORMS PART OF UNITED KINGDOM DOMESTIC LAW BY VIRTUE OF THE EUWA.

CONSEQUENTLY, NO KEY INFORMATION DOCUMENT REQUIRED BY REGULATION (EU) NO 1286/2014, AS AMENDED (THE "PRIIPS REGULATION") OR THE PRIIPS REGULATION AS IT FORMS PART OF UNITED KINGDOM DOMESTIC LAW BY VIRTUE OF THE EUWA (THE "UK PRIIPS REGULATION") FOR OFFERING OR SELLING THE BONDS OR OTHERWISE MAKING THEM AVAILABLE TO RETAIL INVESTORS IN THE EEA OR THE UNITED KINGDOM HAS BEEN PREPARED AND THEREFORE OFFERING OR SELLING THE BONDS OR OTHERWISE MAKING THEM



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THE OFFERING OF THE BONDS HAS BEEN AUTHORISED BY THE CAPITAL MARKETS BOARD OF TURKEY (THE "CMB") ONLY FOR THE PURPOSE OF THE ISSUANCE AND SALE OF THE BONDS OUTSIDE TURKEY IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE CAPITAL MARKETS LAW, ARTICLE 15(B) OF DECREE 32 AND THE COMMUNIQUE NO. VII-128.8 ON DEBT INSTRUMENTS. THE BONDS (AND ANY BENEFICIAL INTERESTS THEREIN) MUST BE OFFERED OR SOLD ONLY OUTSIDE TURKEY, AND THE CMB AUTHORISED THE OFFERING ON THE BASIS THAT, FOLLOWING THE PRIMARY SALE OF THE BONDS, NO TRANSACTION THAT MAY BE DEEMED AS A SALE OF THE BONDS (OR BENEFICIAL INTERESTS THEREIN) IN TURKEY BY WAY OF PRIVATE PLACEMENT OR PUBLIC OFFERING MAY BE ENGAGED IN. PURSUANT TO ARTICLE 15(D) (II) OF DECREE 32, THERE IS NO RESTRICTION ON THE PURCHASE OR SALE OF THE BONDS (OR BENEFICIAL INTERESTS THEREIN) BY RESIDENTS OF TURKEY, PROVIDED THAT THEY PURCHASE OR SELL SUCH BONDS (OR SUCH BENEFICIAL INTERESTS) IN THE FINANCIAL MARKETS OUTSIDE TURKEY AND SUCH SALE OR PURCHASE IS MADE THROUGH BANKS AUTHORISED BY THE BRSA AND/OR LICENSED BROKERAGE INSTITUTIONS PURSUANT TO CMB REGULATIONS AND THE PURCHASE PRICE OF THE BONDS IS TRANSFERRED ABROAD THROUGH SUCH LICENSED BANKS. THE ISSUE OF THE BONDS AND THE ISSUANCE CERTIFICATE RELATING TO THE BONDS WERE APPROVED BY THE CMB AS PER THE RELEVANT CMB LETTER. NEITHER BNP PARIBAS, HSBC, NOR ANY OF THEIR RESPECTIVE AFFILIATES, NOR ANY PERSON ACTING ON THEIR BEHALF, HAS ENGAGED OR WILL ENGAGE ANY DIRECTED SELLING EFFORTS WITHIN TURKEY IN CONNECTION WITH THE BONDS. NEITHER BNP PARIBAS, HSBC NOR ANY OF THEIR RESPECTIVE AFFILIATES, NOR ANY PERSON ACTING ON THEIR BEHALF AFFILIATES HAS ENGAGED OR WILL ENGAGE IN ANY FORM OF GENERAL SOLICITATION OR GENERAL ADVERTISING IN CONNECTION WITH ANY OFFER AND SALE OF THE BONDS IN TURKEY.

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