

## Media release

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### Helvetia to repay bond

**Helvetia will today repay a bond from the year 2013 with a volume of CHF 150 million and thus reduce its debt ratio.**

In 2013, Helvetia Holding AG issued a senior bond (ISIN: CH0209472064) with a volume of CHF 150 million. After six years, the bond falls due today, 8 April 2019. Helvetia has decided to reduce its debt ratio and to no longer refinance this bond.

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Helvetia is active in the life and non-life business, and also offers customised specialty lines and reinsurance cover. Its business activities focus on retail customers as well as small and medium-

sized companies and larger corporates. With some 6,600 employees, the company provides services to more than 5 million customers. With a business volume of CHF 9.07 billion, Helvetia generated an IFRS result after tax of CHF 431.0 million in financial year 2018. The registered shares of Helvetia Holding are traded on the SIX Swiss Exchange under the symbol HELN.

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