

## Media release

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### **ARYZTA AG (ARYN) shares open at CHF 57.50**

The Swiss Hiestand Holding AG and Irish IAWS Group plc have merged to form a new company, ARYZTA AG, which has its registered office in Zurich. ARYZTA's registered shares were traded in the Main Segment of the SWX Swiss Exchange for the first time today.

ARYZTA is the new global market leader in high-end bakery goods and convenience products, with a geographical reach that extends from North America to Europe and beyond to South-East Asia and Australia. The new shares are listed on both the SWX and the Irish Stock Exchange ISE.

The listing comprises the outstanding 77'554'054 registered shares and the formal listing of 7'894'046 registered shares from the conditional capital, representing a market capitalisation of CHF 4, 45 bn.

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