

## CAOBISCO welcomes Lindt & Sprüngli as a new member

28<sup>th</sup> March 2024, Cologne – CAOBISCO, the Association of Chocolate, Biscuit and Confectionery Industries of Europe is delighted to announce that Lindt & Sprüngli has become the newest Direct Member Company of CAOBISCO, joining our association during our last General Assembly on 29<sup>th</sup> January in Cologne. With over 175 years of experience in chocolate production, Lindt & Sprüngli looks back on a long-standing tradition with its roots in Zurich, Switzerland.

Adalbert Lechner, CEO of the Lindt & Sprüngli Group, expresses his enthusiasm for joining CAOBISCO, stating, "We are pleased to join CAOBISCO and contribute to its mission. We look forward to collaborating with fellow members to drive positive change in the confectionery industry, to exchange and learn from each other."

Aldo Cristiano, President of CAOBISCO, welcomes Lindt & Sprüngli to the association, stating, "We are very happy to welcome Lindt & Sprüngli as a new member to our association. Their commitment to quality and excellence aligns with our goals, and we are pleased to have another important industry member joining our journey as we work towards a strong and successful chocolate, biscuit and confectionery industry.

## About CAOBISCO

CAOBISCO is the Association of Chocolate, Biscuit and Confectionery Industries of Europe. We proudly represent more than 13 000 European chocolate, biscuits and confectionery manufacturing companies, 99% of which are SMEs.

## About Lindt & Sprüngli

Lindt & Sprüngli has been enchanting the world with chocolate for over 175 years. The traditional Swiss company with its roots in Zurich is a global leader in the premium chocolate category. Lindt & Sprüngli produces quality chocolates today at its 12 own production sites in Europe and the USA. They are sold by 36 subsidiaries and branch offices, as well as via a network of more than 100 independent distributors around the globe. In addition, Lindt & Sprüngli runs around 520 own shops. With more than 14,500 employees, the Lindt & Sprüngli Group reported sales of CHF 5.2 billion in 2023. The Group's commitment to contributing to a more sustainable tomorrow is a key element driving the company's actions and ambitions. For the responsible sourcing of its most important raw material cocoa, the company launched its own program in 2008: the Lindt & Sprüngli Farming Program.

## Contact:

For enquiries: Mayssa Vande Vyvre – Communication and Economics Affairs manager Mayssa.vandevyvre@caobisco.eu +32 (0)471 391 715