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Interest in the Siemens Annual Shareholders' Meeting continues unabated

Interest in the Annual Shareholders' Meeting of Siemens AG continues unabated in 2009. Some 24,000 shareholders have ordered tickets for tomorrow's event in Munich's Olympiahalle. About 11,000 shareholders ordered tickets online via the Internet. Some 63,000 registered to receive meeting documents electronically. By way of comparison: in 2008, roughly 26,000 shareholders ordered tickets and over 12,000 came to the Olympiahalle.

To speed admission, visitors will be identified by radio frequency identification technology chip in the ticket. The computer center will calculate attendance figures and vote results in real time. Since the Olympiahalle in Munich is too small to hold all the visitors, additional tents – including a two-story tent of 2,500 square meters – have been linked to the main hall to form a carpeted complex with a total surface area of 7,000 square meters. These measures will ensure that everyone will have a seat and – via video screens – a clear view of the central podium. A total of 25 kilometers of cables have been specially laid for infrastructure installations such as the public address system – with its 60,000-Watt loudspeakers – and the lighting system.

A total of 430 service personnel (340 catering staff, 40 kitchen staff and 50 cooks) will be on hand to meet visitors' gastronomic needs with, for example, 12,000 liters of soft drinks, 80,000 cups, 25,000 helpings of cream and fresh coffee brewed from 210 kilos of beans. About 34,000 sugar sticks, 20,000 pastries and, last but not least, a total of some 2.5 tons of assorted meat and sausage products will also be provided.

In the foyer, Siemens will showcase its Environmental Portfolio comprising products and solutions for high-efficiency power generation and ecofriendly energy consumption. Siemens' latest computed tomography system – the Somatom Definition Flash, which produces razor-sharp images of the beating heart in only a fraction of the time and with only a fraction of the radiation required by conventional CT scanners – will also be on display.

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