

BASF SE



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Dissemination of a Voting Rights Announcement transmitted by DGAP - a service of EQS Group AG. The issuer is solely responsible for the content of this announcement.

### Notification of Major Holdings

#### 1. Details of issuer

|                                |                         |
|--------------------------------|-------------------------|
| Name:                          | BASF SE                 |
| Street:                        | Carl-Bosch-Straße 38    |
| Postal code:                   | 67056                   |
| City:                          | Ludwigshafen<br>Germany |
| Legal Entity Identifier (LEI): | 529900PM64WH8AF1E917    |

#### 2. Reason for notification

|                                     |   |
|-------------------------------------|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/>            | Acquisition/disposal of shares with voting rights   |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Acquisition/disposal of instruments   |
| <input type="checkbox"/>            | Change of breakdown of voting rights  |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Other reason:<br>Non- Application of Trading Book Exemption according to sec. 36 para. 1 WpHG |

#### 3. Details of person subject to the notification obligation

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| Legal entity: The Goldman Sachs Group, Inc.  |
| City of registered office, country: Wilmington, DE, United States of America (USA) |

#### 4. Names of shareholder(s)

holding directly 3% or more voting rights, if different from 3.

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#### 5. Date on which threshold was crossed or reached:

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| 16 Dec 2020 |
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#### 6. Total positions

|                       | % of voting rights attached to shares (total of 7.a.) | % of voting rights through instruments (total of 7.b.1 + 7.b.2) | Total of both in % (7.a. + 7.b.) | Total number of voting rights pursuant to Sec. 41 WpHG |
|-----------------------|---|---|----------------------------------|--|
| New                   | 0.07 %  | 5.95 %  | 6.02 %                           | 918478694  |
| Previous notification | 0.06 %  | 0.76 %  | 0.82 %                           | /  |

#### 7. Details on total positions

##### a. Voting rights attached to shares (Sec. 33, 34 WpHG)

| ISIN         | Absolute              |                         | In %                  |                         |
|--------------|-----------------------|-------------------------|-----------------------|-------------------------|
|              | Direct (Sec. 33 WpHG) | Indirect (Sec. 34 WpHG) | Direct (Sec. 33 WpHG) | Indirect (Sec. 34 WpHG) |
| DE000BASF111 | 0                     | 502,311                 | 0 %                   | 0.05 %                  |
| US0552625057 | 0                     | 126,041                 | 0 %                   | 0.01 %                  |

|              |        |        |
|--------------|--------|--------|
| <b>Total</b> | 628352 | 0.07 % |
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**b.1. Instruments according to Sec. 38 (1) no. 1 WpHG**

| Type of instrument | Expiration or maturity date | Exercise or conversion period | Voting rights absolute | Voting rights in % |
|--------------------|-----------------------------|-------------------------------|------------------------|--------------------|
| Right To Recall    | Open                        |                               | 3,380,433              | 0.37 %             |
| Swap               | 16.09.2022                  |                               | 425,200                | 0.05 %             |
| Call Warrant       | 16.09.2022                  |                               | 224,582                | 0.02 %             |
| Future             | 21.12.2029                  |                               | 14,882,611             | 1.62 %             |
| Call Option        | 15.12.2023                  |                               | 15,868,704             | 1.73 %             |
|                    |                             | <b>Total</b>                  | <b>34,781,530</b>      | <b>3.79 %</b>      |

**b.2. Instruments according to Sec. 38 (1) no. 2 WpHG**

| Type of instrument | Expiration or maturity date | Exercise or conversion period | Cash or physical settlement | Voting rights absolute | Voting rights in % |
|--------------------|-----------------------------|-------------------------------|-----------------------------|------------------------|--------------------|
| Call Warrant       | 31.12.2030                  |                               | Cash                        | 1,294,235              | 0.14 %             |
| Put Warrant        | 31.12.2030                  |                               | Cash                        | 159,135                | 0.02 %             |
| Swap               | 31.12.2030                  |                               | Cash                        | 2,608,208              | 0.28 %             |
| CFD                | 16.12.2030                  |                               | Cash                        | 1,163,652              | 0.13 %             |
| Call Option        | 23.02.2033                  |                               | Cash                        | 3,091,636              | 0.34 %             |
| Put Option         | 20.12.2030                  |                               | Cash                        | 1,168,016              | 0.13 %             |
| Put Option         | 20.12.2024                  |                               | Physical                    | 8,027,200              | 0.87 %             |
| Forward            | 20.12.2024                  |                               | Cash                        | 1,618,745              | 0.18 %             |
| Future             | 15.12.2023                  |                               | Cash                        | 740,909                | 0.08 %             |
|                    |                             | <b>Total</b>                  |                             | <b>19,871,735</b>      | <b>2.16 %</b>      |

**8. Information in relation to the person subject to the notification obligation**

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| <input type="checkbox"/>            | Person subject to the notification obligation is not controlled nor does it control any other undertaking(s) that directly or indirectly hold(s) an interest in the (underlying) issuer (1.). |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Full chain of controlled undertakings starting with the ultimate controlling natural person or legal entity:  |

| Name   | % of voting rights (if at least 3% or more) | % of voting rights through instruments (if at least 5% or more) | Total of both (if at least 5% or more) |
|--|---|---|--|
| The Goldman Sachs Group, Inc.                                | %   | %   | %                                      |
| GSAM Holdings LLC  | %   | %   | %                                      |
| Goldman Sachs Asset Management, L.P.                         | %   | %   | %                                      |
| Goldman Sachs Asset Management International Holdings L.L.C. | %   | %   | %                                      |
| Goldman Sachs Asset Management (Hong Kong) Limited           | %   | %   | %                                      |
| -  | %   | %   | %                                      |
| The Goldman Sachs Group, Inc.                                | %   | %   | %                                      |
| Goldman Sachs (UK) L.L.C.                                    | %   | %   | %                                      |
| Goldman Sachs Group UK Limited                               | %   | %   | %                                      |
| Goldman Sachs International Bank                             | %   | %   | %                                      |
| -  | %   | %   | %                                      |
| The Goldman Sachs Group, Inc.                                | %   | %   | %                                      |
| GS Global Markets, Inc.                                      | %   | %   | %                                      |
| Goldman Sachs Finance Corp International Ltd                 | %   | %   | %                                      |
| -  | %   | %   | %                                      |
| The Goldman Sachs Group,                                     | %   | %   | %                                      |

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|---|---|--------|--------|
| Inc.  |   |        |        |
| Goldman Sachs (Cayman) Holding Company        | % | %      | %      |
| Goldman Sachs Bank Europe SE                  | % | %      | %      |
| -   | % | %      | %      |
| The Goldman Sachs Group, Inc.                 | % | %      | %      |
| Goldman, Sachs & Co. Wertpapier GmbH          | % | %      | %      |
| -   | % | %      | %      |
| The Goldman Sachs Group, Inc.                 | % | %      | %      |
| GS Finance Corp.                              | % | %      | %      |
| -   | % | %      | %      |
| The Goldman Sachs Group, Inc.                 | % | %      | %      |
| IMD Holdings LLC                              | % | %      | %      |
| United Capital Financial Partners, Inc.       | % | %      | %      |
| United Capital Financial Advisers, LLC        | % | %      | %      |
| -   | % | %      | %      |
| The Goldman Sachs Group, Inc.                 | % | %      | %      |
| Goldman Sachs (UK) L.L.C.                     | % | %      | %      |
| Goldman Sachs Group UK Limited                | % | %      | %      |
| Goldman Sachs International                   | % | 5.30 % | 5.30 % |
| -   | % | %      | %      |
| The Goldman Sachs Group, Inc.                 | % | %      | %      |
| Goldman Sachs Bank USA                        | % | %      | %      |
| -   | % | %      | %      |
| The Goldman Sachs Group, Inc.                 | % | %      | %      |
| Goldman Sachs Non-US Americas Holdings LLC    | % | %      | %      |
| Goldman Sachs Non-US Americas Holdings II LLC | % | %      | %      |
| GSEM Bermuda Holdings, L.P.                   | % | %      | %      |
| GS Equity Markets, L.P.                       | % | %      | %      |
| -   | % | %      | %      |
| The Goldman Sachs Group, Inc.                 | % | %      | %      |
| FOLIO FINANCIAL, INC.                         | % | %      | %      |
| Folio Investments Inc.                        | % | %      | %      |
| -   | % | %      | %      |
| The Goldman Sachs Group, Inc.                 | % | %      | %      |
| Goldman Sachs & Co. LLC                       | % | %      | %      |

**9. In case of proxy voting according to Sec. 34 para. 3 WpHG**

(only in case of attribution of voting rights in accordance with Sec. 34 para. 1 sent. 1 No. 6 WpHG)

Date of general meeting:

Holding total positions after general meeting (6.) after annual general meeting:

| Proportion of voting rights | Proportion of instruments | Total of both |
|-----------------------------|---------------------------|---------------|
| %                           | %                         | %             |

**10. Other explanatory remarks:**

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Date

21 Dec 2020

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