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The Board of Directors of Nordic Lights Group Corporation ("Nordic Lights" or the "Company") has today, on 4 July 2022, decided on the completion of the Offering (as defined below). The subscription price for the Offer Shares (as defined below) was EUR 5.02 per share in the Public Offering and the Institutional Offering (as defined below), and EUR 4.52 per share in the Personnel Offering (as defined below), which in total corresponds to a market capitalization of the Company of approximately EUR 105.2 million immediately following the Offering. Demand in the Offering was strong from Finnish and international investors and the Offering was oversubscribed. The number of shareholders in Nordic Lights will increase to approximately 950 shareholders after the Offering. Trading of the shares in the Company (the "Shares") is expected to commence on the Nasdaq First North Growth Market Finland (the "First North") maintained by Nasdaq Helsinki Ltd ("Nasdaq Helsinki") on or about 5 July 2022.

### Thomas Sandvall, Chairman of the Board of Directors, comments:

"This is a great day for us. We are extremely pleased to see how renowned international and domestic investors have decided to support the company's growth strategy, even under these uncertain stock market conditions. The new broader shareholder base supports the future development of the company."

## Tom Nordström, CEO of Nordic Lights, comments:

"We are very pleased with the positive interest our initial public offering received among investors. I'm especially happy about the success of our employee offering, as a committed and satisfied workforce is very important for us. I would like to welcome our over 900 new shareholders to light the way for the builders of our future."

# The Offering in brief

As part of the Offering, the Company will issue 3,017,532 new shares in the Company (the "New Shares") (the "Share Issue"), corresponding to approximately 14 percent of the total number of the Company's outstanding Shares after the Offering. In addition, Sponsor Fund IV Ky (the "Principal Shareholder"), Elo Mutual Pension Insurance Company ("Elo") and certain other existing shareholders of the Company (together, the "Sellers"), will sell 3,885,123 existing Shares in the Company in aggregate (the "Sale Shares") (together with the Share Issue, the "Offering"), assuming that the Over-allotment Option (as defined below) will be exercised in full. Unless the context indicates otherwise, the New Shares, the Sale Shares and the Additional Shares (as defined below) are together referred to herein as the "Offer Shares".

In the Offering, 199,360 Offer Shares will be allocated to private individuals and entities in Finland (the "Public Offering") and 6,633,970 Offer Shares will be allocated to institutional investors in Finland and, in accordance with applicable laws, internationally outside of the United States (the "Institutional Offering"), assuming that the Over-allotment Option (as defined below) will be exercised in full. In addition, 69,325 Offer Shares will be allocated to the Company's and its subsidiaries' employees as well as the members of the Board of Directors and management team of the Company (the "Personnel Offering"). Due to oversubscription, the Board of Directors of the Company has decided to increase the number of New Shares to be offered in the Personnel Offering from the preliminary maximum of 44,248 New Shares to 69,325 New Shares. The commitments given in the Public Offering will be accepted in full for up to 150 Offer Shares and approximately 27 percent of the commitments exceeding this amount. The commitments given in the Personnel Offering will be accepted in full.

The Company will receive gross proceeds of approximately EUR 15.1 million from the Offering and the Sellers will receive gross proceeds of approximately EUR 19.5 million in aggregate assuming that the Over-allotment Option will be exercised in full. The total number of issued and outstanding Shares in the Company will increase to 20,957,962 Shares after the New

Shares offered in the Share Issue are registered in the Trade Register maintained by the Patent and Registration Office on or about 4 July 2022.

The Offer Shares allocated in the Public Offering and Personnel Offering are recorded in the book-entry accounts of investors who have made an approved commitment on or about 5 July 2022. In the Institutional Offering, the allocated Offer Shares will be ready to be delivered against payment on or about 7 July 2022 through Euroclear Finland Oy.

Confirmations regarding the approval of the commitments and the allocation of Offer Shares will be sent to the investors who have submitted their commitments in the Public Offering as soon as possible and at the latest on or about 8 July 2022. Nordnet Bank AB's ("Nordnet") own customers who have made their commitments via Nordnet will see the Offer Shares allocated to them on the transaction page of Nordnet's online service. Any possible excess amounts paid in connection with the commitments will be refunded to the party that made the commitment to the Finnish bank account identified in the commitment on or about the fifth banking day after the completion decision, i.e. on or about 11 July 2022. If an investor's bank account is in a different bank than the place of subscription, the refund will be paid to a bank account in accordance with the payment schedule of the financial institutions, approximately no later than two banking days thereafter. To Nordnet's own customers who have given their commitments via Nordnet's subscription place, the amount to be refunded will be paid to Nordnet cash accounts.

Trading in Nordic Lights' shares is expected to commence on the First North on or about 5 July 2022 under the trading code NORDLIG.

The Principal Shareholder and Elo have granted to the Managers (as defined below) an over-allotment option, exercisable by Skandinaviska Enskilda Banken AB (publ) Helsinki Branch ("SEB") on behalf of the Managers as stabilizing manager, exercisable within 30 days from commencement of trading in the Shares on the First North to purchase a maximum of 897,075 additional Shares (the "Additional Shares") solely to cover any over-allotments in connection with the Offering (the "Over-allotment Option").

The stabilizing manager, may, but is not obligated to, engage in measures during the Stabilization Period that stabilize, maintain or otherwise affect the price of the Shares. Any stabilization measures will be conducted in accordance with Regulation (EU) No 596/2014 of the European Parliament and of the Council on market abuse (the "Market Abuse Regulation") and the Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) 2016/1052 supplementing the Market Abuse Regulation with regard to regulatory technical standards for the conditions applicable to buy back programs and stabilization measures.

In connection with the Offering, the Company and the Sellers have committed to lock-up arrangements of 180 days. The members of the Board of Directors of the Company and the management team of the Company as well as personnel participating in the Personnel Offering have committed to lock-up arrangements of 360 days.

#### **Advisers**

Skandinaviska Enskilda Banken AB (publ) Helsinki Branch ("SEB" or the "Global Coordinator") is acting as sole global coordinator and joint bookrunner for the Offering. Carnegie Investment Bank AB, Finland Branch is acting as joint bookrunner for the Offering (together with the Global Coordinator, the "Managers"). Roschier, Attorneys Ltd. is acting as legal adviser to Nordic Lights in connection with the Offering. White & Case LLP is acting as legal adviser to the Managers in connection with the Offering. Miltton is acting as communication adviser to Nordic Lights. Oaklins Merasco Ltd is acting as Company's Certified Adviser referred to in the Nasdaq First North Growth Market Rulebook.

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## **About Nordic Lights**

Nordic Lights, based in Pietarsaari, Finland, has paved its way as a global premium supplier of high-quality lighting solutions for heavy-duty equipment in several demanding industrial sectors. Nordic Lights' mission is to enable the safe and efficient use of equipment. With three decades of experience Nordic Lights works with the most demanding manufacturers of machinery from design to production and aftermarket support.

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