Ad-hoc announcement pursuant to § 15 WpHG

QIAGEN N.V. repurchases existing Convertible Notes and launches Convertible Notes offering combined with convertible note hedge and warrant transactions

Hilden, March 12, 2014 – The Managing Board of QIAGEN N.V (**"QIAGEN"** or the **"Company"**), with the consent of its Supervisory Board has resolved today to repurchase Convertible Notes due 2026 (ISIN XS0254367179) (the "**Existing Notes**") and to issue senior, unsecured cash settled Convertible Notes convertible into common shares of the Company (the **"Notes"**).

The Company invites the holders of the Existing Notes that are not persons located or resident in the United States to sell their Existing Notes in an amount of up to USD300 million outstanding principal amount of Existing Notes. Holders accepting the invitation will be eligible to receive cash consideration equal to the closing price of the Existing Notes prior to the launch of the offer, adjusted for variations in the price of QIAGEN's common shares on March 12, 2014, plus a tender premium. The repurchase is conditional on, and settlement is expected to take place on the same day as, the successful placement of the concurrent offer of the Notes and the repurchase will neutralize the potential dilution associated with the Existing Notes.

The Company intends to place Notes in an aggregate volume of up to USD 730 million. The number of ordinary shares of QIAGEN underlying the Notes will be up to 25.9 million, representing approximately 10.8% of the current outstanding shares (subject to any adjustment of the conversion ratio pursuant to the terms and conditions of the Notes).

The Company intends to use the proceeds from the issuance of the Notes for the proposed concurrent repurchase of its Existing Notes, to diversify its funding sources and to increase its financial and strategic flexibility.

The Company plans to issue the Notes in two tranches, with the first tranche having a maturity of five years and the second tranche having a maturity of seven years. The Notes will be issued and redeemed at 100% of their principal amount and will pay a coupon between 0.00% - 0.75% p. a. for the five-year tranche and 0.50% - 1.25% p. a. for the seven-year tranche, payable semi-annually in arrears.

The initial conversion price will be set at a conversion premium of 30 – 35% above the reference share price, being the volume weighted average price of the QIAGEN share between opening and close on the NASDAQ Global Select Market on March 12, 2014. Pricing for the Notes is expected to take place today. Settlement is expected to take place on or around March 19, 2014.

The Company intends to apply for the inclusion of the Notes to trading on the Open Market (*Freiverkehr*) of the Frankfurt Stock Exchange.

In connection with the offering of the Notes, QIAGEN intends to enter into privately negotiated convertible note hedge and warrant transactions, each initially covering the same number of QIAGEN's common shares as underlie the Notes. The convertible note hedge transaction will be cash settled upon exercise and is expected to offset any cash payments QIAGEN is required to make in excess of the principal amount of Bonds upon conversion. The strike price of the warrants is expected to be set around 150% of the reference share price.

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