EVOTEC AND BAYER ADVANCE FURTHER PROGRAMME INTO PHASE I CLINICAL DEVELOPMENT

Hamburg, Germany, 30 January 2020: Evotec SE (Frankfurt Stock Exchange: EVT, MDAX/TecDAX, ISIN: DE0005664809) announced today that its partner Bayer AG has decided to advance a further programme from the endometriosis multi-target alliance into clinical Phase I development. Evotec will receive a milestone payment of €2 m upon first dosing in the Phase I clinical trial and may be eligible for further significant clinical and sales milestones as well as royalties depending on the future progress during clinical development and potential commercialisation of a drug in the future.

The companies entered into their endometriosis multi-target discovery alliance in October 2012 with the aim to discover three clinical candidates. So far, the alliance generated six pre-clinical candidates, of which a fourth has now progressed into Phase I. Bayer advanced the first programme into a Phase II trial in refractory chronic cough in 2018. The Phase II study yielded positive results which met all of the targeted endpoints. For more information about this Bayer/Evotec alliance also see "White Paper on Bayer/Evotec Alliance".

Dr Werner Lanthaler, Chief Executive Officer of Evotec, commented: “We are very pleased that the excellent collaboration between Bayer and Evotec has now officially surpassed the ambitious initial target by delivering a fourth clinical drug candidate. The candidates we have identified and developed together are performing extremely well and hold great potential, most likely also beyond the initially surveyed indications.”
ABOUT EVOTEC SE
Evotec is a drug discovery alliance and development partnership company focused on rapidly progressing innovative product approaches with leading pharmaceutical and biotechnology companies, academics, patient advocacy groups and venture capitalists. We operate worldwide and our more than 2,900 employees provide the highest quality stand-alone and integrated drug discovery and development solutions. We cover all activities from target-to-clinic to meet the industry's need for innovation and efficiency in drug discovery and development (EVT Execute). The Company has established a unique position by assembling top-class scientific experts and integrating state-of-the-art technologies as well as substantial experience and expertise in key therapeutic areas including neuronal diseases, diabetes and complications of diabetes, pain and inflammation, oncology, infectious diseases, respiratory diseases and fibrosis. On this basis, Evotec has built a broad and deep pipeline of approx. 100 co-owned product opportunities at clinical, pre-clinical and discovery stages (EVT Innovate). Evotec has established multiple long-term alliances with partners including Bayer, Boehringer Ingelheim, Celgene, CHDI, Novartis, Novo Nordisk, Pfizer, Sanofi, Takeda, UCB and others. For additional information please go to www.evotec.com and follow us on Twitter @Evotec.

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