



# IMPORTANT NOTICE

The Depository Trust Company

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<b>Date:</b>	March 25, 2026
<b>To:</b>	All Participants
<b>Category:</b>	Tax Relief, Distributions
<b>From:</b>	International Services
<b>Attention:</b>	Operations, Reorg & Dividend Managers, Partners & Cashiers
<b>Subject:</b>	<p><b><u>Tax Relief</u></b> – Country: FINLAND</p> <p><b><u>Security:</u></b> STORA ENSO OYJ</p> <p><b><u>CUSIP:</u></b> 86210M106</p> <p><b><u>Record Date:</u></b> 03/26/26</p> <p><b><u>Payable Date:</u></b> 04/15/26</p> <p><b><u>CA Web Instruction Deadline:</u></b>03/27/26 8:00 PM ET</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>*****ONE DAY ELECTION WINDOW*****</b></p>

Participants can use DTC’s Corporate Actions Web (CA Web) service to certify all, or a portion of their position entitled to the applicable withholding tax rate. Participants are urged to consult TaxInfo respectively before certifying their instructions over the CA Web.

Important: Prior to certifying tax withholding instructions, participants are urged to read, understand, and comply with the information in the Legal Conditions category found on TaxInfo on the CA Web.

Questions regarding this Important Notice may be directed to GlobeTax 212-747-9100.

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STORA ENSO OYJ has announced a cash dividend and Citibank, N.A. acts as the Depository for the Depository Receipt ("DR") program.

Participants may use DTC's Corporate Actions Web ("CA Web") instructions tab to certify all or a portion of their position entitled to each applicable withholding tax rate. Use of this instruction method will permit entitlement amounts to be paid through DTC. By making submissions of such certifications the submitter warrants that it has the required authority to make them, that the party for which the submission is made is eligible therefore, and will indemnify, as applicable, Globe Tax Services, Inc., the applicable depository, the applicable custodian, and other acting, directly or indirectly, in reliance thereon, including for any inaccuracy therein.

Please be aware that new Finnish legislation concerning preliminary tax withholding on dividends came into effect on January 1, 2020 requiring that a tax rate of 50% will apply to all undisclosed Finnish residents. You are hereby notified of your obligation, in accordance with published guidance from the Finnish Tax Authority, to notify dividend recipients down the chain of their obligations to report any Finnish investors that may be holding Depository Receipts of this security. On DR pay date, all uncertified holders will receive this dividend net of the full Finnish statutory withholding rate of 35% with the possibility to reclaim as outlined in the eligibility matrix.

Scans as well as physical documents should be sent to GlobeTax by March 30, 2026, 5:00 PM ET to be considered eligible for the Relief At Source process. ESP will default all Relief At Source and Quick Refund submissions to the statutory disclosure rates. **\*\*Date of Birth required for IND and IRA entities.\*\***

DIVIDEND EVENT MATRIX							
ISSUE	CUSIP#	UNDERLYING ISIN	DR RECORD DATE	ORD PAY DATE	DR PAY DATE	RATIO (DR to ORD)	ORD RATE
STORA ENSO OYJ	86210M106	FI0009005961	Mar 26, 2026	Apr 08, 2026	Apr 15, 2026	1 : 1	EUR 0.13000

FEES & DEADLINES					
FILING METHOD	PAYMENT METHOD	CUSTODIAL FEE (EUR)	TAX RELIEF FEE	MINIMUM FEE PER BENEFICIAL OWNER	FINAL SUBMISSION DEADLINE
RELIEF AT SOURCE	DTCC	N/A	UP TO \$ 0.00750 PER DR	N/A	<u>CA WEB / ESP ELECTION DEADLINE:</u> Mar 27, 2026 <u>ORIGINAL DOCUMENT DEADLINE:</u> Mar 30, 2026
QUICK REFUND	CHECK OR ACH	UP TO 45.00	UP TO \$ 0.00750 PER DR	N/A	<u>ESP ELECTION DEADLINE:</u> Sep 01, 2026 <u>ORIGINAL DOCUMENT DEADLINE:</u> Sep 01, 2026
LONG FORM	CHECK OR ACH	UP TO 40.00	UP TO \$ 0.00750 PER DR	\$ 125.00000	Oct 15, 2029 5:00 PM ET

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### Agreements, Fees, Representations and Indemnification from Participants and Beneficial Owners

I/We have determined that the beneficial owner(s) of the shares (individual or legal entity) is eligible for the preferential rates as stated herein and I declare that I have performed all the necessary due diligence to satisfy myself as to the accuracy of the information submitted to me by these beneficial owners.

I/we hereby certify that I/we will indemnify Citibank, N.A. (and its agents) for any liability Citibank, N.A. (and its agents) may incur, including without limitations any sanctions-related liability such as fines, penalties, costs and/or fees relating to government inquiries, investigations, or enforcement actions, as a result of reliance upon information provided by such Participant in connection with a C.A. Web election, a claim for refund, or a failure to provide information requested by the Tax Authorities. Citibank, N.A. shall not be liable for failure to secure the refund. The Participant shall be liable for any loss due to foreign exchange fluctuation. The Participant agrees to immediately return to Citibank, N.A. any funds erroneously received as a result of an improper C.A. Web election or refund claim. In addition, the Participant agrees to pay any interest, additions to tax or penalties thereon. This is not tax advice. Please consult your tax advisor.

## ELIGIBILITY MATRIX

**Note:** All information related to eligibility and documentation requirements can be found on the [ESP](#) site by visiting the relevant event and viewing the Eligibility Matrix. If you need access to ESP, please complete the [New User Registration](#) form, and our team of market experts would be pleased to help you get set up.

For each Country's general Eligibility Matrix, please see ESPs [Reference Guide](#).

# ESP



CITIBANK offers ESP powered by GlobeTax, an electronic withholding tax submission system. This system allows for the secure and simplified transfer of beneficial owner level data from the Participant to GlobeTax and creates applicable documentation on the Participants' behalf.

Submit the data online through the web site below, print out the documents on letterhead, sign them, and mail them to GlobeTax, along with necessary required documents.

These claims should be submitted through the following website.

<https://ESP.GlobeTax.com>

Please contact us via the [ESP Service Desk](#) at 212-747-9100 if you have any questions about this process.

### CONTACT DETAILS

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## FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS (FAQs)

### AT SOURCE

Once I submit a Relief At Source claim, how long will it take to be paid?

Relief At Source claims are paid on pay date through DTC.

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<b>Does the process have a minimum position requirement per beneficial owner?</b>	<b>No.</b>
<b>What happens if the participant does not make a CA Web instruction within the specified CA Web instruction window?</b>	All DRs will be withheld at the 35% tax rate.
<b>How do I initiate the Relief At Source process with GlobeTax?</b>	To participate in the Relief At Source process, the only requirement for all buckets are valid elections at DTC. No ESP submission is required for the 50% or 35% elections. Non-Finnish tax residents should be elected at the 35% rate. Undisclosed Finnish tax residents should be at the 50% and the DTC participant should supply the signed Appendix A.

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### LONG FORM

<b>Will I be paid through DTC for claims submitted through the Long Form process?</b>	<b>No</b> , you will be paid by check or ACH.
<b>Does the process have a minimum position requirement per beneficial owner?</b>	<b>No</b> . There is a minimum fee of \$125.00 per beneficial owner for standard Long Form claims which may be waived on an exceptional basis for clients reclaiming less than \$250.00. In such instances a fee of 50% of the reclaimed amount will be applied.

## FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS (FAQs)

### GENERAL

<b>Is this process free of charge?</b>	<b>No.</b> This tax relief assistance service is wholly voluntary and discretionary and outside the terms and conditions of any applicable deposit agreement. CITIBANK undertakes no duty or obligation to provide this service and may reject or decline any or all proposed electing participants or holders in its sole discretion. Fees will be charged for this service of up to \$0.0075 per DR with a \$125.00 minimum, and any other charges, fees or expenses payable by or due to CITIBANK or its agents, including the custodian or to tax authorities or regulators. Fees paid to CITIBANK may be shared with its agents.
<b>Do I need to submit via ESP to disclose my beneficial owners?</b>	For Relief At Source, no ESP submission is required however physical copies of Appendix A must be sent to GlobeTax at the time of filing for the claim to be valid.  For Long Form, submission via ESP is required for all rates better than 35%.
<b>Will GlobeTax accept claims filed directly to them by the beneficial owners?</b>	<b>No,</b> GlobeTax only accepts claims filed by the DTC participant who was holding the securities through DTC and only to the extent that DTC has reported these holdings to us as valid record date holdings. Beneficial owners are required to file their claims through the custody chain to the DTC participant of record. All claims not received directly from the DTC participant will be returned to the beneficial owner.
<b>Is the process for tax relief offered by an optional process?</b>	<b>Yes,</b> this is a discretionary, optional service.
<b>Are form 6166s with IRS code ruling 81-100 accepted?</b>	<b>Yes,</b> with a Treasury Determination Letter (TDL).
<b>Does the beneficiary's name on the form 6166 need to match the POA?</b>	<b>Yes,</b> the beneficiary's name on both documents should be identical.
<b>May I submit a trust agreement in lieu of a POA signed by the beneficial owner?</b>	<b>Yes,</b> but a limited POA signed by the participant must accompany the trust agreement.
<b>Do I need to physically send any documents to GlobeTax?</b>	<b>Yes,</b> along with the electronic submission we need all required documentation listed in the Eligibility Matrix in hardcopy form for Long Form.
<b>What is the statute of limitations for filing Finnish reclaims?</b>	It is 3 years from the end of the year in which the dividend pays. Claims received after submission deadline will be filed on a good faith basis.

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### GENERAL

**Will the FTA ask for any documents?**

The FTA may ask for documentation upon audit for all rates better than 35%. For treaty benefits that documentation would likely include a certificate of residence dated the year of ORD payment date, for the 25.5.% rate it may be a tax ID card or another form of government issued ID.

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